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SUMMARY.

An angry correspondence is going on in the "Times" regarding the differential legislation as applied to Indians in the Transvaal.

Thirty-two Indians at Johannesburg have been ordered to quit the country in a fortnight.

The majority pleaded that they had resided in the Transvaal from 12 to 16 years, and had businesses valued at thousands of pounds.

Mr. Justice Neville has ordered the compulsory winding-up of the new Druce-Portland Company.

The appeal of Vere Goold and his wife against their conviction for the Monte Carlo murder has been dismissed.

A terrible panic followed the explosion at a cinematograph entertainment at Boyertown, in Pennsylvania.

The staircases became choked with a mass of human beings, and bodies were piled up 6ft high.

One hundred and sixty-seven bodies have been recovered.

People became frenzied as the flames on the stage approached them, men beating down women and children in their efforts to escape.

Many parents sacrificed their lives in endeavouring to save their children.

It is reported that the Chief Secretary for Ireland will bring in a bill to establish a National Roman Catholic University in Ireland.

Leading counsel for the defence of Harry Thaw said the prisoner was stark staring mad at the time he shot Stanford White.

The Bishop of London says if inquiry showed that confessional boxes had been placed in some London churches they would very soon be cleared out.

It is stated that the Panama Canal will cost £[illegible] above the estimate, owing to revision in the plans.

The Australians completed their second innings in the test match for 506. Hill scored 39 and Hartigan 116.

The Englishmen, who require 429 to win, have lost five wickets for 139.

The Cabinet proposes to submit the question of the North Shore bridge to a Royal Commission of experts of high standing.

Attention is being given by the Department of Home Affairs to the survey of the transcontinental railway.

Negotiations are proceeding between the Federal and State Governments for the use of a portion of Cockatoo Island as a naval depot.

The coaling facilities at Newcastle are to be increased so as to obviate the delay that arose in the coaling of the steamer Manuka.

The three plague patients at the Coast Hospital are making satisfactory progress. The last case reported is one of a mild form.

The Marrickville and Petersham councils are making every effort to prevent the spread of the infection.

The island steamer Parua was totally wrecked in a hurricane on Thursday last on Tabeta reef, off the coast of Taviuni.

All hands on board were saved, though they had a most perilous experience.

The University Extension Board urges co-operation between country towns in arranging for extension lectures.

Encouraged by the success already attained the board is continuing to invite distinguished professors from abroad.

Mr. J. G. S. Cerns, railway goods manager for the Sydney district, died yesterday, aged 62 years.

He was one of the officers who came from England in the late Mr. Eddy's time.

An influential memorial was yesterday presented to the Premier, asking him to take steps to preserve the Eastern trade.

It was pointed out that shippers were alarmed at the prospect of the loss of trade with the East, owing to the competition of the Victorian subsidised line.

The town clerk of Sydney says that existing law is ample to deal with such disorder as that which occurred on New Year's Eve, but larrikinism should be repressed.

A number of miners who had been drinking at Clifton on Tuesday night made a violent attack on the Scarborough Hotel.

The police were compelled to use their revolvers before several of the offenders were arrested.

A number of charities which do not participate in the Hospital Saturday collection, have combined to make a street collection.

Melbourne is threatened with a shortage of water in consequence of the abnormally dry winter.

An extensive fire broke out at Ganmain early yesterday morning, a block of buildings opposite the railway line being destroyed.

A miner named Arthur Tillett was buried in a fall of earth in the Gibraltar mine, Adelong.

The interstate conference of shop assistants' unions in Melbourne carried a motion in favour of a universal Saturday half-holiday.

A delegate expressed the opinion that such a half-holiday would go far towards the solution of the "empty churches" problem.

The trade of the port of Newcastle during last year was one of record activity. The Customs returns show increases in all departments.

Thirteen buildings have been destroyed by a fire at Hastings, New Zealand.

Henry Berry and Co.'s packing establishment in Divett-place, Adelaide, was burned down early yesterday morning. Seven horses were burnt to death.

The Fijian cricketers played a match yesterday against Wangaratta (Vic.). The Fijians scored 146, and Wangaratta 125 for eight wickets.

An inquiry into charges made by H. J. Blake against the Canning Expedition, in Western Australia, was opened in Perth yesterday.

Blake gave evidence as to natives having been captured by the party, and compelled to go along chained by the necks to a camel.

Dr. James Barrett, one of the oldest medical practitioners in Melbourne, died yesterday, aged 74.

Members of the New South Wales Public Works Committee who have been visiting Adelaide left for Melbourne yesterday.

The question of street cleaning on Sundays has been referred to the town clerk to formulate a plan dealing with the matter.

Notwithstanding the very dry season on the South Coast, there was a surprising display at the Albion Park show, opened yesterday.

Some wreckage has been discovered near Thursday Island, and it is feared that a shipping disaster has occurred.

Henry Prince was yesterday committed for trial for the alleged murder of Henry Sullivan at Newtown.

A German who was locked up at the Central Police Station for drunkenness was found to have a sum of £1300 in his possession.

The exports from New Zealand for last year were £20,069,600, which is a record.

The population of New Zealand is 969,071, of whom 920,000 are Europeans.

The sugar-crushing season on the Clarence has been the most successful for some years past.

The wharf labourers' strike at Newcastle affecting interstate companies has been settled.

High temperatures were recorded at many places in the interior yesterday. At Wentworth the shade temperature was 112, at Bourke 111, and at Broken Hill 106.

The maximum temperature in Adelaide yesterday was 111.4.

It is anticipated that the output of coal from New South Wales collieries during the current year will exceed all previous records.

A good volume of business was transacted in investment stocks yesterday, chiefly at late rates.

Business on the mining Exchange was a little more animated than usual yesterday morning, but in the afternoon it was very dull.

Weather forecast: Hot northerly winds, dusty, and squally in parts.

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OROTAVA	5,980	Jenks	Feb. 8	Feb. 11	Feb. 13
‡*ORONTES	9,023	Ruthven	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Feb. 27
‡*OPHIR	6,814	Coad	Mar. 7	Mar. 10	Mar. 12
‡*ASTURIAS	12,500		Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 26
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TASMANIA. For HOBART DIRECT— MARAROA, TUESDAY, January 21, at noon; January 30. From HOBART—January 16, 25. For LAUNCESTON, via EDEN— WAKATIPU, WEDNESDAY, January 22, at 10 a.m.; February 5, 19. From LAUNCESTON—January 29; February 12, 26. For BEAUTY POINT, DEVONPORT, BURNIE, and STANLEY— KARORI (Cargo only), TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at noon (Druitt-street Wharf).

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CHAPTER XVII.—Continued.

Captain Barbier, still ignorant apparently of the release of the prisoners, was the most conspicuous person in the assembly at present, and Jean gave more than a passing glance to him. He noted how he placed the company of guards who presently tramped into the hall, noted that, for all his fine appearance and buoyant camaraderie, the captain was no great favourite; a sneer met him here, and a look of contempt followed him yonder. Barbier was quite oblivious of the one and the other. He could afford to smile and strut in his gay new feathers, for was he not trusted by the new Duke, was he not a man in authority, one it would be ill considered to offend? Barbier knew the full strength of his position, and was unlikely to let any of its advantages slip. Jean was quick to recognise the tact and wisdom there was in this man, and to understand that with a few more like him Duke Felix's throne might stand firmer than it did at present.

Next there came into the hall representatives of the suites of the nobles who had come to Vayenne for the funeral of the old Duke and for the coronation of the new. Some of these nobles had been lodged in the castle, some in the town. For the most part they had brought few retainers with them, having, indeed, few to bring. There were rich men in Montvilliers, but not many of them were of noble descent, and some of the most ancient families were comparatively poor. De Bornais was one of the exceptions, and besides loved to uphold his dignity. He had come to Vayenne with a considerable retinue, and although all his followers did not find a place in the hall to-night, he had a larger representation there than anyone else. Jean looked at these men keenly as they were marshalled to their places at the very edge of the open space which surrounded the raised dais. They were fewer in number than he could have wished, but they were stalwart men. One, who fell into his place behind the others, and who, while Barbier was near, kept his hand over his brow, hiding the upper part of his face, glanced presently towards the window where the dwarf sat, and their eyes met. No heads were turned to look at this man particularly, yet for Jean the most important person who would find place in that assembly to-night had already come. It was Roger Herrick.

And now from the side doors which led from the great hall, nobles entered, and took up their positions in the vacant place around the chair of state, and there were many ladies, their wives or daughters, or those who in their own right held high place in the land. The beautiful Countess Elisabeth drew all eyes to her as she took her place at the foot of the dais. Jewels were at her throat and in her hair, and there was no woman fairer to look upon in all that great assembly. After her coming there was a pause, and then, followed by Lucille, Christine de Llancourt entered the hall. A murmur of welcome, like a ripple of low music, greeted her, and the eyes that had rested upon the Countess turned to rest on her. Jewels were at her throat, too, and on her brow a jewelled diadem. Almost it seemed as though for her all ceremony was at an end, that already she was crowned Duchess. It was the first time Herrick had seen her arrayed in all the splendour of beautiful womanhood, and that beauty and her position seemed to lift her far beyond his reach. All that had happened in these last days, the ride through the forest, the desperate encounter, the charcoal-burners' hut, their last meeting in the house in the Place Beauvoisin, all seemed to sink far back into the past, to fade and take indefinite outline, to wrap themselves in the dim mantle which belongs to dreams. The present, and all thought of the things he was to do in it, was for the moment forgotten, and fascination riveted his eyes on this woman as a man may look upward and gaze spellbound at the beauty of a distant star. Was it true that only a few nights since she had almost confessed that she loved him? That such a thing could be seemed impossible now.

Christine was pale, but her eyes shone, and the little firm mouth was brave and determined; yet Lucille, who stood beside her, knew that she was nervous. Christine spoke to her companion, looking into her eyes as she uttered some commonplace. She paid no heed to the girl's answer; her only desire was to steady herself. To-night something was to happen, in a few moments it might be. What was to happen, how it was to come, she did not know; she was only certain that whether came success or failure, bloodshed must assuredly follow. What part had she to play in this rebellion? Then growing steady, she turned and looked to where de Bornais men stood close behind their master, and saw how Roger Herrick's eyes were fixed upon her. If she read any message at all in them it did not help her to understand what was to occur. She did not glance at the window in the shadows. She had no knowledge that Jean was there. "Obedience and trust," the dwarf was muttering to himself, and wondering how it was friend Roger had succeeded in making her promise so much. Truth to tell, there was something like resentment in Christine's mind at that moment at being kept so entirely in the dark. What could happen to-night? What power had this one man, who stood, insignificant, behind de Bornais?

Suddenly there was movement in the hall and shouting, loud shouts of welcome rising sharply above a low, murmuring accompaniment, which might be a welcome, differently expressed, or might not. At least there was no harsh and unruly cry of dissatisfaction, nothing that broke upon the ear as actual discord. Those at the back stretched themselves and stood on tiptoe in an endeavour to look over their neighbours' heads; and even Jean from his exalted position could not see clearly what was going forward, for the crowd had closed in at the upper end of the hall for a moment. Then it fell back a little, to show that Count Felix stood at the foot of the dais, and that Father Bertrand had mounted it, and stood by the chair of state.

There was a moment's pause, during which the shifting feet became silent, and Jean, leaning back in the shadow of the embrasure, stole a glance down into the great square below.

"It has ever been our custom to crown the Dukes of Montvilliers according to certain peculiar rites and customs," said Father Bertrand, speaking slowly and in a tone which carried his words clearly to the utmost limits of the great hall. "You know, most of you, what these ancient rites and customs are, how your future Duke, claiming this throne, must stand to answer your questioning before he seats himself to receive your homage. There have been occasions when the claim has stood more by might than by right, when your voices by common consent have bid a warrior, or a deliverer from oppression, to wear the crown and rule over you. This is no such occasion. Since Maurice, son of the late Duke, is dead, Count Felix stands before you, the legal heir to Duke Robert. I have then but to ask him those questions which every Duke that has reigned in Montvilliers has been asked, solemn questions which here, in this old hall of Vayenne, each one of them has been required to answer. Count Felix, I demand by what right you claim to ascend this throne of Montvilliers?"

"By right of birth," came the answer, spoken quickly and in a loud voice.

There was a pause, but no sound broke the silence which followed.

"Count Felix, I charge you, is there any reason known to you which makes your claim a false one?"

"There is no such reason," said the Count. Again he spoke quickly and in a clear tone, and he looked at Christine. Her eyes met his for a moment, but hers were the first to look away. Whatever she knew or believed, she was not going to speak.

Again the silence remained unbroken.

"Count Felix, do you swear to govern this land according to the same laws of right and liberty by which it has heretofore been governed, and to hold the welfare of your people as a sacred trust?"

"All this I swear to do," answered the Count.

"My lords, knights, burghers, and men of Montvilliers, those are the questions I have to ask, and which you have heard the Count answer. Now question him as you will," said Father Bertrand.

Count Felix stood on the lower step of the dais, and turned to face his questioners. He was pale as a man facing such an ordeal well might be, but he smiled bravely. He felt that the worst was over. Christine had not spoken. The time for the questions which he had dreaded most seemed to be past. Christine did not look at him. Her eyes were fixed upon the group of men behind de Bornais. One of them no longer kept himself in the background. His companions had made way for him, and he stood almost at de Bornais' side. Why had Roger Herrick not spoken? Had fear kept him dumb at the last moment?

For some little time no question was asked, and then a burgher, stammering in his words and half fearful of the sound of his own voice, prayed for an alteration in some civic law, a mere triviality it seemed to break so momentous a silence. Yet it set others asking questions, and Felix answered them, promising future grave attention where no immediate relief could be given. Such questioning served to stimulate the Count, and a colour gradually stole into his face. A new courage was in his soul as may come to a man who feels himself whole, and knows that the danger he has so much dreaded is past.

The questioning was over. A long pause had come, and not a voice was raised in the hall. The dwarf silently put down his bauble by his side, careful that the little bells should not jingle, and took up the torch. Matches were in his hand, but his eyes were fixed upon the dais. No movement below caused him to look away for an instant.

"Count Felix," the priest's voice rang out clearly, "you have answered my questions, you have answered the questions of your people as represented by this assembly. To this throne you must now ascend."

Count Felix turned, and his foot was on the second step of the dais when a loud voice cried:—

"Stay."

Felix, white again suddenly, and to his very lips, looked down into the face of the man who had dared thus to approach the throne and stand even with his foot upon the first step. He wore the uniform of the de Bornais, but Felix hardly noticed this. It was the face of the man that riveted his attention. He recognised it. How could he forget it, since when last he looked into those eyes it had been across keen, naked blades. Does a man ever forget a face seen thus?

"Your interference comes late," said the priest, "yet is it not, I think, against the ancient custom. Until the Duke is seated he may be questioned. What is your question?"

Christine bent suddenly forward almost as though she expected the question to be asked in a whisper. But the words rang out clearly.

"It is no question I would ask, but a demand I make, not to Count Felix, but to those assembled in this hall. I, Roger Herrick, claim my right by birth to ascend this throne as the true and lawful Duke of Montvilliers."

(To be continued.)

POLICE COURTS.

SHIPMASTERS HEAVILY FINED.

At the Water Summons Court on Tuesday, before Mr. Macfarlane, S.M., L. Dawson, master of the steamer Taiyuan; E. Gordon, master of the steamer Moldavia; J. W. W. Yates, master of the steamer Arrino (two charges), were fined in each case £100 for having allowed prohibited immigrants to enter the Commonwealth in contravention of the Immigration Restriction Act.

CRUELTY TO A HORSE.

At the Water Summons Court on Tuesday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, S.M., Ernest Blundell, a carter, was proceeded against for cruelty to a horse. It was stated that on January 3 defendant was in charge of two horses attached to a lorry, which was heavily loaded. One of the animals was in a poor condition, and difficulty was experienced in negotiating the hill up Windmill-street. The defendant declined assistance by other drivers, and flogged his horse unmercifully. A fine of £3, and costs, was imposed, with the alternative of one month's gaol.

A PUBLICAN'S BREACH.

Alfred Flakeler, licensee of the Cowper Wharf Hotel, Bland and Forbes streets, was fined 20s, and costs, or seven days' gaol, at the Water Summons Court on Tuesday, for allowing persons to be on his premises during prohibited hours.

MOTORIST FINED.

At the Water Summons Court on Tuesday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, S.M., E. S. Turner, manager of the General Motor Company, Queen's-place, was proceeded against for driving a motor car in William-street on December 30 last at a speed exceeding eight miles an hour. It was stated that accused was travelling at a rate of 16 miles an hour. A fine of £5 was imposed, with costs amounting to 6s, or in default one month's imprisonment.

JEWELLERS FINED.

At the Water Summons Court on Tuesday, before Mr. Macfarlane, S.M., Max Mandel, a jeweller, of 378 George-street, was proceeded against for having, on December 21 last, kept his place open when it should have been closed. A fine of £2 was imposed, with costs, or in default 14 days' gaol.

At the same court, J. Flegeltaub, jeweller, of King-street, was proceeded against for a similar offence, and admitted that it was a second one. A fine of £10 was imposed, with costs, or in default two months' imprisonment.

A CASE OF SALMON.

Thomas Abberton, 36, a carter, was charged at the Water Police Court on Tuesday, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., with stealing a case containing four dozen tins of salmon, of the value of 30s, the property of Andrew Weir and others, trading as the Australian Mail Line, at Sydney, on January 9. It was shown in evidence that accused was engaged drawing barley from Howard Smith's wharf. A delivery clerk noticed, when accused was leaving the wharf, that a case was bulging out from the sacks of barley. When accused reached the street he was stopped, and asked what his load consisted of, and he replied "30 bags of barley." The case of salmon was pointed out to the accused, who said he did not know it was there. There was a stack of some hundreds of cases of salmon alongside of the barley on the wharf.

Accused, in defence, said that on the 9th instant he was drawing barley from Smith's wharf. It was on his ninth load that the salmon was found. His lorry was loaded by other men, but he could not say who his assistant was on the ninth load. Witness was absent about 15 minutes while his lorry was being loaded. He had no knowledge of the presence of salmon on the lorry until it was shown to him. He had been working for some eight years for Mr. M'Mahon, and he denied all knowledge of the salmon. Accused was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, but the sentence was suspended under the provisions of the Crimes Act upon his finding the necessary sureties to be of good behaviour for 12 months.

SHOP-LIFTING.

Sarah Bond, 49, widow, and Mary Bond, 16, a saleswoman, were charged at the Water Police Court on Tuesday with stealing a collarette, a tie, and a piece of lace, the property of Hordern Bros., of Pitt-street, on January 13. It was given in evidence that both accused were on the premises of Messrs. Hordern Bros. when the younger accused was seen to take a piece of lace and put it in her parasol. When the two were leaving the premises they were stopped, and the lace and a tie were found on the younger and the collarette on the elder accused. Sarah Bond was fined £5, or in default two months' gaol; and Mary Bond was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, the sentence being suspended under the Crimes Act upon her finding the necessary sureties.

UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION.

At the instance of Allan D. Carmichael, sanitary inspector for the municipality of Paddington, Patrick O'Neil was proceeded against for not complying with certain provisions of the Public Health Act in regard to a house of which he was owner. The case came before the Paddington Police Court on Tuesday. The inspector stated that the house was situated in Artlett-street, and consisted of two rooms on the ground floor and two in the basement. On December 4 he and Dr. Armstrong visited the premises. The timber was decayed, windows broken, and the whole place, which was in a filthy condition, was alive with vermin. The house was occupied. On December 17 the council had served defendant with a notice, but on the premises being further inspected on January 4 nothing had been done to comply with the requirements of the notice.

The house was ordered to be declared unfit for habitation, and its use for the purposes of a residence prohibited until it was rendered fit, defendant to pay costs of court, or in default 24 hours.

UNPROVOKED ASSAULT.

Chas. Hanna, 24, an engineer, was charged at the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., with assaulting Sergeant Dawe whilst in the execution of his duty on January 12. He was also charged with maliciously damaging a coat to the extent of 30s, the property of Sergeant Dawe on January 11. Accused pleaded guilty. It was stated that Sergeant Dawe entered a house to arrest a girl for sly grog-selling, when accused rushed at him with a beer bottle and struck at the officer's head, and hit him two or three times. A fine of £15 was imposed, or in default four months' gaol. Accused, for tearing the sergeant's coat, was further fined £3, ordered to pay 30s for the damage done, or one month's imprisonment, with hard labour.

MALICIOUS DAMAGE.

Andy Williams, 30, a groom, was charged at the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., with maliciously damaging a showcase, the property of Denis Victor, at 238 George-street, doing damage thereto to the extent of 15s, on January 11. He pleaded guilty, and was fined £1, ordered to pay for the damage done, or go to gaol for 14 days.

THE MELBOURNE EXPRESS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I travelled overland from Melbourne last week and had the misfortune to find my sleeping berth was in one of the compartment cars, and in a four-berth smoking compartment, which is insanitary, cramped, and badly ventilated, except when the windows are left open, when those occupying the lower berths are smothered in dust. Also, it is most unpleasant to sleep in a smoking compartment, especially when one knows the habit so many smokers have of expectorating on the carpet; but I was comparatively lucky, ignoring this point, as in the next compartment the travellers had as companions spittoons that had done good duty.

I understand the old cars are now taken off, but surely the Commissioners can devise some more suitable cars than these compartment ones, or run the old ones, which are altogether better ventilated, and the lower berths in which are roomy and comfortable, and the sleeper is so placed that if he opens a window he is not covered with filth.

I have for many years travelled by the express and enjoyed sleeping in comparative comfort in the old cars, and have always admired the way the train is handled your side, and its regularity; but I consider, to maintain its popularity and prevent passengers travelling by boat, that something must be done to give them at least sanitary conditions. I am, etc.,

TRAVELLER.

FRENCH SPECIALIST PRESCRIBES CUTICURA.

A Famous Specialist on Diseases of the Skin Prescribes Cuticura as the Most Effective Remedy Known to Him, Charging as His Fee 100 Francs (£4)—also Prescribed in Hospital Saint Louis.

"Gentlemen,—You may be pleased to learn that a patient suffering from an irritation of the skin, caused by motoring, on consulting a noted physician in Paris, for which a fee of one hundred francs (four pounds sterling) was charged, was advised to use Cuticura, which advice, although received with astonishment, was followed and resulted in a perfect cure. (Signed) Lewis Gower, 1123 Broadway, New York, U.S.A., December 16, 1906."

French Physicians, particularly those making a specialty of the treatment of skin diseases, have for many years regarded Cuticura as a specific and have prescribed it freely. It enjoys the rare distinction of being prescribed in the Hospital Saint Louis, Paris, one of the largest and most famous hospitals in the world devoted exclusively to the treatment of diseases of the skin.—Advt.

In this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail" the famous English sporting writer, "Thormanby," writes entertainingly of "The Prize Ring," and "Feats of Equine Endurance."—Advt.

LAW REPORT.

IN EQUITY.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

WRIT OF ATTACHMENT.

"COURT MUST BE OBEYED."

Mary Elizabeth Connor, having been arrested under a writ of attachment for non-compliance with an order of the Court (made by the Chief Judge in Equity), was before the Court to be dealt with.

Mr. Parker, instructed by Mr. Percy Pratt, appeared for the plaintiff, Josephine Dent, and explained that his client and the defendant owned contiguous blocks of land at Paddington. Plaintiff's land was separated from the defendant's by a 4ft right-of-way. The defendant having begun building operations (which involved encroachments on the land upon which the plaintiff had a right-of-way) was asked to desist, but continued to build. Plaintiff sued her, and she (defendant) did not enter an appearance. The Court decreed, restraining her or her agents from allowing any encroachment on the right-of-way. This order was not complied with, hence the defendant being attached.

Miss Connor, in answer to his Honor, said she considered the order unjust. She had bought the land, and did not consider that the plaintiff had any right to the use of the 4ft referred to. She did not appear at the court, because she thought her explanation to Mr. Pratt was sufficient.

His Honor: You have been arrested for disobeying an order. Are you prepared now to take down the buildings?

Miss Connor: This right-of-way was closed three or four years ago—long before I commenced building.

His Honor: I am satisfied that you were properly served for an appearance from the documents you now have in your possession. If you do not agree now to remove the encroachment, I will have to send you to prison. The Court must be obeyed. What will you do?

Miss Connor: It will come down. But it is a great injustice.

His Honor said the defendant would now be discharged, upon her agreeing to remove the encroachment. This would have to be done within a month.

"Remember, Miss Connor, if you do not comply, you will be arrested again," added his Honor.

Mr. Parker applied for costs.

Miss Connor protested. She said Mrs. Dent never paid a penny for the land. This was all a great injustice to her.

His Honor: You have stood in defiance of the Court, and you must suffer the consequences.

Costs were allowed.

ARBITRATION COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Street, Deputy President, and Messrs. T. E. Spencer and E. Riley, members.)

ORDERS VARIED.

TYPOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Beeby (Messrs. Brown and Beeby), on behalf of the New South Wales Typographical Association, applied for an addition to the judgment in the matter in which this union was claimant, and the Master Printers' Association, respondent. He asked the Court to add to its judgment a proviso imposing certain penalties, and that the penalties recoverable under the award should be paid to the secretary of the union, or any other person affected by the award who might proceed for the recovery of the penalties.

Mr. Mark Mitchell, who appeared for the respondent, opposed "any person" having the right of recovery.

The Court varied the terms of the order of December 17, by adding a clause imposing a £5 penalty for any breach by any employer not a member of the respondent association, and by any employee not a member of the claimant union. The payments were to be made to any person taking proceedings for the recovery of the same.

CARPENTERS AND JOINERS.

On behalf of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, Mr. Beeby moved for a variation of the order made in February, 1906.

The Court varied the order by adding to it that all penalties recoverable under it should be payable to persons taking proceedings for the recovery of the same.

BANKRUPTCY.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

William Duncan, of West Wyalong, miner. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Richard Joseph Pilger, of Brunker-road, Hamilton West, labourer. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

George Thomas Hindmarsh and William Johnson, of Lismore, trading as Hindmarsh and Johnson, auctioneers, v William Gardiner, of Nashua, farmer. The hearing of the petition has been fixed for January 31.

Elizabeth Campbell, executrix of the will of John Campbell, deceased, 101 Sussex-street, Sydney, grain merchant, v William James Crandeld, of Camden. The hearing of the petition has been fixed for February 7.

LAW NOTICES

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

At 10.30 a.m., in Chambers, before the Chief Justice.—Doodeward v Spence, to reduce security.

SUPREME COURT.

Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—David Richard Deane, 10.30; A. T. Laurie, 11; John Gregory Blaxland, 12; George William Berney, 12.30.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Chief Clerk.—Remilton v the City Mutual Life Assurance Company, Ltd., 10.30; same v same, 10.30.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court, at 10 a.m.—N.S.W. Fresh Food and Ice Co., Ltd., v Ashworth.

A STREET FATALITY.

RESULT OF ALLEGED BRAWL.

An inquest was held yesterday into the circumstances attending the death of Thomas Barrett, 45, a tailor, of Abercrombie-street, Sydney, which occurred at the Sydney Hospital on January 2. Thomas Leahy, tailor, was present in court.

Dr. Palmer stated that on January 2 he held a post-mortem upon the body of the deceased. The cause of death was the injury to the head. Death might be caused by a fall upon the back of the head on a hard surface. It was possible that natural hemorrhage would cause a fall.

Robert M'Lennan, commercial traveller, stated that at 7.30 on the night of January 1 he was standing at the corner of Pitt and Liverpool streets, when he heard some men quarrelling. Looking round, he saw a man fall. An elderly gentleman ran up to him, and called to another, who was running away. The running man came back. Witness did not see anyone strike the deceased. He had never told the police that he had seen it. He could not have recognised the men from where he was.

Constable Malone, of No. 1 police station, said that he was on duty at the corner of Castlereagh and Liverpool streets. About 7.30 p.m. he was called to the Pitt-street corner, where he saw the deceased lying on his back on the roadway, unconscious. A man named Fergusson was supporting his head. Leahy was standing by. Fergusson, pointing to deceased and Leahy, said, "Those two men have had a quarrel. Barrett called Leahy an insulting name, and the latter pushed him. He fell with his head on the corner of the blocks. He said that Barrett had asked Leahy for a drink, and on being refused, had called him a bad name. Witness stated that he asked Leahy what he had to say, and he replied, "What Fergusson has told you is true. I had no intention of hurting him. He is the last man I would have injured. He is my best friend." Witness summoned the Civil Ambulance, which conveyed deceased to the Sydney Hospital. Leahy was taken to the Central Police Station, and charged with having caused the death of Barrett. On being taken to his cell, he said he was very sorry for what had happened.

A subpoena was taken out for the attendance of Fergusson, but he could not be found at the address given.

The next morning witness went to M'Lennan's residence, and asked him what he knew of the matter. According to witness, M'Lennan told him that he heard two men having high words, and looking round, saw one of them lying in the roadway; and that afterwards he saw, in charge of the constable, one of the men who were quarrelling. Witness added that at the time of the occurrence Leahy had stated to him that the man lying on the ground, Barrett, had called him a bad name, because he refused him a drink, and he had pushed him, and he fell.

The inquest was adjourned, to enable the police to obtain the evidence of Fergusson.

For the past quarter of a century there has been one continuous flow of letters bearing testimony to the truly wonderful cures effected by Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture, "the finest Blood Purifier that science and medical skill have brought to life." Sufferers from Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of any kind are solicited to give it a trial to test its value. Sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.—Advt.

Shooting the Breakers.—This is a page drawing in the "Sydney Mail" this week, by our artist, and affords some idea of the rough seas experienced at Newcastle on Saturday.—Advt.

THE NEWTOWN TRAGEDY.

EVIDENCE AT THE INQUEST.

VERDICT OF MURDER.

An inquest was held yesterday into the death of Henry Sullivan, 60, commercial traveller, of Cambridge-street, Enmore, which occurred at King-street, Newtown, on January 1. Mr. J. W. Abigail appeared for Henry Prince.

Sub-inspector John M'Crimmon stated that on January 1, upon information received, he proceeded to King-street, Newtown, where he saw constables M'Master and Prior. When they reached the foot of the stairs Henry Prince was at the top. He had a revolver, and said, "Who is there?" Witness replied, "The police." Prince asked witness his name. Witness said, "Sub-inspector M'Crimmon." The man said, "Well, my name is Henry Prince; but if it is you I will lay down my arms." He did so; and, turning to witness, held out his hand. He said, "My God, this is awful. I must be mad. Why did they not put me away? I knew this would happen. How is he?" He said, "He is an old friend of mine. His name is Sullivan. I am worried about financial matters. I was all right. I had a surplus; but they came down on me." On the way to the station Prince said, "I was worried about business matters. I must be mad. I saw them all in the shop, and told them to clear out. I said, 'By ——, if you do not clear out I will shoot the lot of you.'" Prince appeared to be suffering from the effects of drink. The revolver was a six-chambered one, loaded in five chambers, one empty, and another containing an empty case. Charged with the murder of Henry Sullivan, Prince said nothing.

Cross-examined, witness stated that he did not know the revolver was defective. Kicking would interfere with accuracy of aim.

Philip John Bray, of Cambridge-street, Annandale, stated that he was employed by Mr. Borchard, accountant, to take possession of the estate of Henry Prince at King-street, Newtown. He was employing Sullivan. On January 1 they were in the shop with some of Prince's assistants, when Prince came in. He said something about straightening up. Witness said he had better get straightened up himself. He rushed upstairs, and returned in three or four minutes with something bright in his hands. He appeared to be holding it in both hands, and said, "Get out of this, all of you." Witness asked Sullivan to come out. They had just passed the doorframe when he heard a metallic click, immediately followed by a shot from the back of the shop. Sullivan fell dead. Prince was 10 yards away, behind the counter. Witness left the shop, and saw nothing further until deceased was taken away. Witness had known Prince for 10 years. The man was under the influence of liquor. That was why witness told him to get straightened up.

Cross-examined: Prince had voluntarily assigned his estate. Witness had been sent there to get things ready for the creditors. Prince appeared excited on that morning, but not previously. Witness heard Sullivan say something to the effect that he had known him 20 years, and had never heard anyone say anything against him. Sullivan had known Prince for many years. One of the employees said, "For God's sake, go out." Witness did not say abruptly, "I am master here." He did not hear Prince say, "I'll show who is master here." Witness was not aggressive in his manner towards Prince.

To the coroner: Prince was not more excited than a man usually is under the influence of liquor.

Wm. Bothe, carter, in the employ of Prince, stated that he was stocktaking at 223 King-street. About noon on January 1, Mr. Prince came in from the dining-room, and said, "Who has been speaking about me?" Chesterman an employee, replied, "Nobody has been speaking about you, Mr. Prince. Go upstairs and lie down for a while." Prince asked Bray the same question, and got no reply. He saw the shop window open, asked by whose order it was done, and ordered Bray and Sullivan to leave the shop. Bray told him he was d——d if he would. He said, "You are no longer master here. I'm master in this place." Prince replied, "You're master, are you? I'll show you." Bray and Sullivan did not leave; Prince ordered all hands to clear out at once, or he would shoot them. Bray told him not to talk like that, or there would be trouble, to which he replied, "I'll chance that," and went upstairs. Witness, hearing Prince coming down again, advised Bray and Sullivan, "For God's sake, to clear out." They hesitated. Witness ran to the stairs, and met Prince, knowing that he had a revolver upstairs. He tackled Prince, but was thrown on one side. There was a click. Prince attempted to fire. The second time there was a report, and Sullivan fell, the revolver was pointed toward the front of the shop, where Bray and Sullivan and two or three were. Witness left the shop by the back way, and Prince ran to the yard, still with the revolver. He ordered witness out of the yard. Witness, coming to the front of the shop, saw Prince inside the adjoining shop, looking through the hole in the shutter. The police then came on the scene. Prince was about the length of the court away from Sullivan when he fired. He had been drinking heavily.

Cross-examined: Ever since Prince was thrown from a cart at Tom Ugly's he had been very excitable. A similar accident had happened previously. He had lately been abusing his people, without provocation, and insulting customers. On the morning in question witness had seen him eating pieces of dry bread. He looked wild and haggard. Bray spoke in an aggressive tone, and Prince became very excited. When he came downstairs he appeared to be a raving lunatic. His eyes were staring out of his head.

Edward Chesterman, grocer, 11 Avenue, Newtown, employed at 223 King-street, as manager of the grocery department, stated that he was stocktaking on January 1, when Prince came in. He asked witness "What's the matter, Ted? Who has been talking about me?" Witness said "No one, Sir. Come up and have a sleep," and took him by the arm. Prince ordered them to leave the shop, or he would blow their brains out. Witness told the men, "For God's sake get out. The man is not in his right senses." Prince went upstairs. Witness next saw him grappling with Bothe near the ice-chest. Prince pointed the revolver. Bray and Sullivan were near the door. Witness turned his head, and the revolver went off. Witness saw Sullivan lying across the road. Prince had been bad for a long time. He was under the influence of drink. He had been drinking for six months.

Cross-examined: Prince had for some time been worried, irritable, and abusive to customers. For four months he had been accustomed to mutter to himself incoherently.

Herbert George Carney, grocer, 20 Oxford-street, Newtown, an employee of Henry Prince, stated that in his opinion Prince was absolutely out of his mind.

George Shephard, a cook, saw Prince in the dining-room about noon on January 1, and asked him if he would have lunch. Prince looked at him, but said nothing. Witness asked again, and got no reply.

The Acting Coroner (Mr. Stephen Murphy) found that Henry Sullivan was wilfully murdered by Henry Prince. Prince was committed for trial at the Criminal Court, to be held at Darlinghurst on March 16 next.

WASTE OF WATER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Will you kindly through your valuable medium draw the attention of the Water and Sewerage Board to the enormous amount of water used by bowling clubs. I know for a fact some use sprinklers both morning and night, and also attach a bag to the nose of the hose and use as much as half an inch of water on the greens. I am told some clubs allow the water to run all night. Again, on travelling through some of the suburbs I have noticed persons not only swamp their gardens and lawns with water, but apply it to the sides and roofs of their cottages and front paths. I think at a time like this people should use as little water as possible, in fact, none at all for watering gardens, bowling greens, etc. Why should the public be threatened with an intermittent supply for domestic purposes. I am, etc.,

ECONOMIC.

DANGEROUS DEBILITY.

A THREE-YEARS SUFFERER CURED BY BILE BEANS.

"I have great pleasure in forwarding you this testimonial for Bile Beans," says Mr. T. Rafter, of 4 Quarry-street, St. Peters, Sydney. "For three years I have been a sufferer from general weakness, loss of appetite, etc., causing me extreme lassitude and impairment of health. I was attended by two different doctors, and both of them told me that it was the dregs or fever and ague, and that I was not likely to get any relief, as it had become chronic. One day I accidentally came across an empty Bile Bean box, and I thereupon made up my mind to purchase a box of Bile Beans and give them a trial. The results have proved so satisfactory that I would not have any other medicine. I have been undergoing a course of Bile Beans for the last six months, and they have done me great good. My general health has improved in every way, and my bodily weight increased almost daily. In conclusion, I am extremely glad that I happened on Bile Beans, and you may use my statements as above for the benefit of other sufferers."

As a medicine for summer use, Bile Beans are unequalled. By toning up the liver and stomach, and gently opening the bowels, they promptly dispel summer fag, languor, lassitude, fatigue, headache, debility, loss of appetite, anaemia, and ensure sleep by restoring nature's healthy functions. Bile Beans are obtainable everywhere at 1s 1½d, or 2s 9d large family box (containing three times the quantity).—Advt.

TRADES AND LABOUR.

SAWMILL EMPLOYEES' DISPUTE.

FEDERAL ARBITRATION PROPOSED.

The sawmill employers, having refused to discuss the fresh demands made by the Sawmill and Timber Yard Employees' Association, it has been decided by the union not to attempt to confer any further, but to call a Federal Council meeting towards the end of the month, when steps will be taken to file a dispute before the Commonwealth Arbitration Court.

The New South Wales sawmill employees have elected the following office-bearers:—President, Mr. H. Rock; vice-president, Mr. J. Coutts; treasurer, Mr. J. Agnew; secretary, Mr. A. E. Johns; tyler, Mr. P. R. Weedon. A management committee of 12 and a finance committee of three were also appointed.

THE AIRLY MINERS' STRIKE.

At a meeting of the executive of the Sydney Labour Council last night it was decided that Mr. E. Riley (Arbitration Court) and Mr. J. P. Cochran (the secretary of the council) should leave Sydney to-night on a visit to Airly, where the shale miners have been out on strike since August 10 for an advance in wages.

FEDERATED FIREMEN.

At the annual meeting of the New South Wales branch of the Federated Engine-drivers and Firemen's Association of Australasia, held at the Trades Hall last night, it was reported that during the year branches had been formed at Newcastle, Cessnock, Portland, Wollongong, Helensburgh, West Wallsend, Lithgow, and Kurri Kurri, and agencies established at Bulli and Scarborough, resulting in an increase of members from 170 at the close of 1906 to 430 at the close of 1907. Over 200 of the total increase had taken place during the past six months.

In the brewery industry an award had been obtained increasing firemen's wages to 8s per day, and enginedrivers' to 10s per day of eight hours. In the refrigerating industry an award had also been obtained, increasing enginedrivers' wages from £2 5s per week of 84 hours to £3 8s per week of 48 hours, and firemen's wages from £2 per week of 56 hours to £2 8s per week of 48 hours. In the electric lighting industry an award had been obtained raising the wages of firemen from £2 5s per week of 56 hours to £2 10s per week of 48 hours, with time and a half to be paid when work was done on the seventh day. In the coalmining industry an award had been obtained, raising the wages of firemen to 8s per day of eight hours, with a rise of 5d per day for every 1s advance in the price of coal, which means that the firemen would be paid during the coming year 8s 5d per day, owing to the increase in the selling price of coal. Besides the increase in wages, the six-day week had been granted and overtime rates provided for. Every colliery owner in the State had been cited for the common rule, which application would be heard early in the new year.

Two cases had been filed against the Caledonian Coal Company, and one against the Bulli Coal and Coke Company. Jurisdiction had been proved against the Caledonian Coal Company, and the cases should be heard at an early date. The award, when obtained, would be made a common rule for the whole of the State. During the year firemen and enginedrivers employed at Arnott's had had their hours reduced from 56 to 48 per week for a wage of £2 10s. Abel and Co.'s enginedrivers' wages had been increased by 3s per week. Brunton's flour mill firemen had had their wages increased 1s per day, and steps were being taken to settle the working conditions in all flour mills and other industries.

In November delegates from the Shore Drivers' and Firemen's Union, the Barrier Ranges Enginedrivers' and Firemen's Association, and the Certificated Enginedrivers' Association of Victoria met in Melbourne, and a federal council was formed with a membership of about 1400, with every prospect in the near future of increasing to 3000 members as soon as Queensland, South and Western Australia, should join the federation.

The report was adopted, and Mr. W. Bacon was elected president.

STREET COLLECTIONS.

CHARITIES COMBINE.

A DISCORDANT NOTE.

A meeting of those interested in a street collection in aid of those charities of the metropolitan area which do not participate in the Hospital Saturday collection was held yesterday at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms. The following charities were represented:—St. Vincent de Paul, Randwick Asylum for Destitute Children, Church of England charities (3), Church Organisation Society, Central Methodist Mission, Sydney Rescue Society, Sydney Ragged Schools, Salvation Army, Fresh Air League, King Edward Hospital for Seamen, and the Australian Ambulance Association.

The chair was occupied by Brigadier Harris, of the Salvation Army, who said the scope of the united charities was very large, varied in character, but all seeking the betterment of their fellows. The appeal of the United Charities was likely to be far-reaching and effective. The most sanguine feelings should be entertained that their appeal would commend itself to both council and people, and call forth the support and sympathy of public-spirited, philanthropic gentlemen. The organisation itself, to be afterwards known by a suitable and comprehensive name, had in it the germ of life that must grow, and become a most useful and powerful regulating force and factor.

Rev. R. B. S. Hammond, representing the Church of England charities, moved that the name of the movement be "The United Charities' Fund." The Hospital Saturday Committee was generously disposed towards this movement, and would assist in every way possible. (Applause.)

Mr. Hawkins, of the Methodist Central Mission, seconded the motion, which was carried.

Rev. R. B. S. Hammond moved that those eligible to act on the committee of the United Charities' Fund be the charities of Sydney and suburbs other than those coming within the scope of the Hospital Saturday Fund.

Rev. W. G. Taylor seconded the motion.

Mr. Page, representing the Australian Ambulance Association, said if such a motion was carried the association which he represented would be shut out, and had already been shut out from the Hospital Saturday Fund for some reason best known to the management. The King Edward Hospital for Seamen was in a similar position, and it was the representatives of those institutions that went to the Lord Mayor in the first instance and asked for permission to take up a street collection. That practically led to this meeting, for the City Council decided that the combined charities should act. He moved as an amendment that instead of the words "coming within the scope of the Hospital Saturday Fund" the words "not participating in the Hospital Saturday Fund" be inserted.

Mr. J. Nimo, secretary of the Seamen's Hospital, seconded the amendment.

Rev. J. Buchan, representing the Sydney Ragged Schools, pointed out that a seamen's hospital should come in under a hospital fund. This meeting had nothing to do with the question why it did not do so.

The amendment was negatived, and the motion carried.

Mr. Page and his comrades said it was quite evident they could take no further part in the proceedings, and they left the room.

Mr. L. F. Heydon, M.L.C., representing St. Vincent de Paul Society, expressed his appreciation of the movement for a combined collection. The City Council acted wisely in coming to a decision to set apart one day for a collection independent of Hospital Saturday.

It was decided to invite the Lord Mayor to become the president of the new organisation, and that two delegates be appointed by each organisation to form the committee.

"WHITAKER" FOR 1908.

We have received "An Almanack for the Year of Our Lord, 1908," by Joseph Whitaker, F.S.A., containing an account of the astronomical and other phenomena, a vast amount of information respecting the government, finances, population, commerce, and general statistics of the British Empire, etc." This is the fortieth annual volume. There has been some reconstruction to save space, and the index references now number close on 5000. Very full banking information has been added, and the remarkable occurrences have been transferred into a handy dictionary of dates. We have also the twelfth issue of the companion volume, the "Peerage." Amongst other things the addresses of London clubs have been supplied. There is no need to praise an established institution—and "Whitaker" is at any rate that.

QUEANBEYAN.

Mr. H. K. Green, P.O., Queanbeyan, N.S.W., writes:—"I have used Dr. Sheldon's New Discovery for colds, and find it very beneficial."

Dr. Sheldon's New Discovery for Coughs, Colds, and Consumption is an unequalled preparation for the cure of all Chest Complaints and Lung Troubles.—Advt.

Among the illustrations that appear in this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail" are:—Post Town, winner of the Perth Derby and Cup—Tirranna Picnic Races—Dalton Bros.' Flour Mills at Orange—Swimming Carnival at Moaman—Railway Garden at Clarence, Blue Mountains—Advt.

An illustrated article on Ceylon appears in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

MUNICIPAL RATING.

UNIMPROVED VALUE BASIS.

A MAYOR'S DOUBTS.

At the last meeting of the Rockdale Council the Mayor (Alderman W. Taylor) submitted a minute in regard to the forthcoming assessment. He stated that a certain revenue must be obtained to carry on the work of municipal government, and the amount necessary now by having the care of the main roads added to the council's responsibilities would, of course, be larger than formerly. This would mean an exceptionally heavy rate on unimproved values, and its effect upon a considerable portion of the land would be to depreciate its value to such an extent as to make it doubtful whether the rates could be collected. It was true that the rates would remain a charge on the land, and that after four years the council could take possession and lease it for 16 years, and then at the end of 20 years sell; but it was very questionable if lands falling into the council's hands in this way would be of any benefit for revenue, and the probability was that the council would have to wait for 20 years before receiving any rates, and the land in many cases might not realise the accumulated rates at the end of that period. Allowance would, therefore, have to be made for uncontrollable rates, as in Rockdale there was a large area of vacant land value, especially on the eastern side of the railway line.

The amount of rates levied in 1906-7 was £5619. For the current year the council should provide at least for the foregoing amount, plus £1000 which it was estimated would be required to maintain the main roads previously controlled by the Works Department, and a further £1000 for necessary works in the borough. This would bring the total up to £7619.

The valuers' returns were subject to appeal, and it was safe to assume that under the altered conditions of assessment a very general appeal would be made. Whilst it was impossible to say what the result would be, it was quite in order to allow a margin of 15 per cent. at least. With this deduction it would require a rate of 3½d in the £ on the unimproved value to cover requirements for this year. In illustration of how this worked out, take an allotment valued at £100. Under the old assessment this would pay 7s 1d, including lighting, and under the unimproved rate 27s 1d, an increase of 300 per cent, which would be enormous.

He was a strong believer in the principle of taxation on the unimproved values, both from the point of view of equity and simplicity; but he had yet to be convinced that it would be wise or practicable to adopt it for the municipality at the present juncture. He was inclined to think that 2d in the £ on unimproved value would be the utmost to which the council should go. Twopence in the £ on unimproved values would yield £4802, and after allowing deductions for Crown lands on improved values ½d in the £ would give £2969, a total of £7771—just about the amount necessary.

The Local Government Office a few months ago advised the Municipal Councils to appoint valuers, so that upon the election of the new councils in February the work of valuation would be well in hand if not wholly completed, and the councils would thus be in a position to proceed at once to levy rates. At the same time the department forwarded to the councils for their consideration a draft of the ordinances proposed to be made under the Act respecting this subject. This draft has been fully considered by all the councils, and as a result of the suggestions received a number of alterations will probably be made before the ordinances are gazetted.

In view of the exceptional circumstances of the first valuation, working under a novel law, and compiling an entirely new valuation book, it is proposed to allow till April 30 for the valuation to be completed instead of December 31, 1907, as in the original draft; and to extend the time within which estimates must be published to May 31, instead of January 31. The period within which the rates must be levied will probably be extended to June 30. While there may be a few municipalities where, for various reasons, the work is so backward that such extensions are desirable, in the great majority of municipalities it is already far advanced, and in many quite completed.

VOTE FOR BLANK.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONEERING.

There are indications that the local government electioneering literature would do credit to American political pamphleteering. Here is an extract from a placard sent to us from a metropolitan municipality:—

Remember:—The ratepayers' burden. The baths your white elephant. Your fancy cargo wharf, and wharf road, which was a useless waste of the ratepayers' money. Puzzle: Find the blue metal that was voted; and where is the money? Who destroyed the park with the zig-zag tram? That alone ought to bury your council alive. Who are the bloodsuckers of the ratepayers at the council-chambers? My mates and relations. No others can have a slice of that pie. Who acts the Czar and gets on his bended knees to the select few, but bullies the other side? You find out:—Who does all the work? "I" do not, but the ratepayers pay well. Who voted away your family tickets. The same council that ran you into debt. Who says that the foreshores should not be resumed? The donkeys. Do they represent the people. No! If you want a fair deal, vote for me, and you will find no big dog at my gate. So if you return me and my bunch, that you will hear of later on, my home will always be open for you, rich or poor, and whatever complaints you may have I will bring before the council for you. I will see that things are kept up to the mark. I will also see that flesh will not be made of one and fowl of the other, which has been the game of your council in the past. Ratepayers ought to attend one meeting of your council, and they would never attend another. For a little nonsense now and then is relished by the wisest men. You will get plenty of it at the council-chambers.

AMATEUR FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Amateur Fishermen's Association was held at the association's rooms, Pitt-street, last night, Mr. R. E. Eastway (president) in the chair.

The annual report presented by the hon. secretaries, Messrs. F. Millott and W. J. Jennings, showed that much good work had been done in extending knowledge of the fish fauna, in promoting healthy rivalry by prize competitions, and in developing the study of aquarium flora and fauna in the club rooms. Mr. P. J. Leon had won a prize for the best-equipped and stocked aquarium in the rooms. The membership roll had been kept up. Attention had been drawn to certain breaches of the Fisheries Act, and the desirability of imposing a license fee for trout-fishing, and restricting anglers to the use of the rod, line, and artificial fly in the pursuit of trout. It had also been decided to ask the Government to house the Fisheries Department's museum in better quarters.

The report of the hon. treasurer (Mr. J. F. Cole) showed that the year had ended with a credit balance of £22, and assets valued at £450. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. It was announced that the names of Messrs. Malcolm Ross and G. Hollingdale were being placed on a championship roll-of-honour. The trophy was presented by Mr. W. J. Proud.

The election of officers resulted:—President, Mr. R. E. Eastway; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. A. Hogue, M.L.A., F. A. Millott, R. J. Geddes, J. F. Cole, G. Masson, G. Hollingdale, C. Wiseheart, T. Richardson, J. Bebb, J. E. Pendleton, Dr. A. Burne, and J. Spencer; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. Hepper; hon. secretaries, Messrs. P. J. Leon and C. Thackeray; trustees, Dr. Burne and Messrs. G. Hollingdale and R. E. Eastway; hon. auditors, Messrs. G. Masson and P. Hannabus; hon. handicapper, Mr. G. Hollinguale; hon. librarian, Mr. C. Wiseheart; hon. curator of museum, Mr. W. F. Seymour; committee, Messrs. R. E. Ambler, A. W. Cleary, S. White, S. Murphy, P. Hannabus, W. Dorman, T. Mitchell, W. F. Seymour, E. Atkins, F. R. Middleton, J. Tonkin, J. E. Holloway, L. J. Richardson, and R. Lees.

SYDNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

ANOMALIES IN AMENDED TARIFF.

The fortnightly meeting of the council of the Chamber of Commerce was held at the Royal Exchange on Monday, the president, Mr. F. E. Winchcombe, M.L.C., in the chair. A letter was read from the Harbour Trust Commissioners on the subject of increased wharfage and shed accommodation, and it was arranged that the president should further confer with the Commissioners and the Treasurer. Complaints had been made to the postal authorities with reference to the frequency of delay to telegrams owing to interruption to lines. A reply from the Deputy Postmaster-General was read, pointing out that bush fires and fierce westerly gales had been responsible for a number of interruptions during October and November last. The department had, however, arranged for a special inspection of the principal northern, western, and southern circuits, with a view to strengthening the lines where necessary, and had also ordered the erection of several additional lines by way of safeguard.

The question of tariff anomalies was further considered. In reply to inquiries instituted by the chamber, a number of letters had been received from merchants, calling attention to items in the amended tariff which required attention. Arrangements were made to have these tabulated, and placed before members of the Senate.

Amongst the foreign inquiries received was one from Mr. A. Baumann, of Odessa, South Russia, who desired to be placed in touch with firms prepared to supply wool, suet, tallow, lead, dry white lead, and oxide of zinc. A reply was ordered to be sent.

The question of inaugurating a special public holiday for the purpose of an annual review of the Australian army and navy was raised by a letter from the "Investors' Review" of Melbourne. The council, however, declined to take a hand in establishing a new holiday. It considered that we already had holidays enough, and that the review might be appropriately held on Empire Day, or Foundation Day.

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ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

SHIRE COUNCILS AND RAILWAYS.

The Immigration League is wise in disclaiming the advocacy of private railways in the country, while continuing its efforts to direct public opinion to the necessity for branch "feeders" to the trunk lines, and particularly as to the possibilities that lie before shire councils in this direction. The matter is one well worthy of consideration by these bodies, as well as the general public, and discussion should produce some tangible scheme of co-operation between the Railway Department and the councils, as already suggested in these columns. The first necessity is for the councils to obtain power to build railways and tramways, if such is their desire, and there should be no difficulty in this, providing certain safeguards are admitted. With that power the councils could build local lines by private contract, the surveys and estimates having first been made by Government officials. The services of such officials might well be obtained without cost by the councils, as such lines will of a necessity be of great benefit to the railways and the Government in the way of increased revenue, owing to the opening up of new country. These lines could be run and maintained by the councils to suit local requirements, and should not be an insupportable burden. They would necessarily be to an extent primitive, as the object of their existence would be to carry freight, not to provide first-class passenger accommodation. That function should be left to the department to attend to. It understands and is equipped to deal with passenger traffic.

While the benefit of such railways is obvious, they would entail great responsibility and considerable trouble. Certainly such undertakings could not be entered into lightly, or the country would soon be littered with non-paying and bankrupt lines, entailing an unbearable burden on the different districts. This possibility, however, would have a salutary effect in ensuring caution. Advocates of local railways would probably modify their views in many instances if the expense and risk are to lie on their shoulders. A far simpler and perhaps more feasible plan, for the two qualities generally go together, would be for the shires to subsidise local lines, allowing their construction and maintenance to be in the hands of the department. The council would at least know its position. The subsidy could be for a fixed number of years, or on a sliding scale, and coming out of the shire funds would really be paid through the unimproved land tax by those owners who had benefited mostly by the construction of the line. Such a principle would certainly have the effect of creating a spirit of self-reliance. In these circumstances again it would pay the people to accept a line built supremely for usefulness and as economically as possible. One drawback to such a scheme is that the resources of the department are limited, and it would not be possible for it to undertake the construction of many such lines simultaneously, and delay is the main thing in this question to be avoided. In the meantime discussion and criticism are in every way desirable, for the matter of the construction of branch railway lines is one of keen interest to all classes of the community, for it means, as has been pointed out by our correspondents, increased population, rapid development, and greater prosperity, all such estimable possessions that they cannot come too soon.

ITEMS.

Kangaroo grass is considered on the Queensland border a splendid fattening grass for cattle. A grazier, speaking of a mob of 800 cattle purchased by him in the county of Cumberland in poor condition, states that there is a marked improvement in them, and they have only been three weeks in Tenterfield. His pasture largely consists of kangaroo grass. Bounding George's River, the grass in the scrub country is chiefly kangaroo. A large mob of cattle was tailed on this area last year, and it was noticeable that they would not touch this grass, but fossicked out other fodder. The kangaroo grass was at the time seeding, and the foliage brown and dry. This was no doubt the reason for the cattle neglecting it. In enclosed paddocks and along the railway lines in proximity to Sydney this grass may be seen at the present time seeding. There is no doubt that in earlier times it formed an important part of our pastures; but, as at Tenterfield, the cattle preferred it in the green stage, and being a poor seed producer it was gradually eaten out.

A case of an unnaturalised Chinaman being allowed to obtain some 1100 and odd acres as an additional selection by virtue of a freehold of 240 acres purchased by him having come under the notice of the Brookong Farmers' Union, a motion was carried that in view of the recent decision of the Mudgee Land Appeal Court, this union considers that no time should be lost in amending the Act, so that no alien be allowed to acquire Government lands in any way at all, and that no alien be allowed to acquire fee simple of any land. Under ordinary conditions a foreigner, unless naturalised, cannot obtain land from the Crown.

Mr. E. Pitt, of Renmark, S.A., who held a commission to inquire into the dried fruits industry of Europe and America, has returned to Adelaide. He spent six weeks in California, probably the greatest fruit-producing country in the world. So far as cultivation and the production of the raisin and sultana are concerned Australia has, in his opinion, but little to learn from California. When in London Mr. Pitt was present at fruit sales where several thousand cases of Australian oranges were being sold. With the exception of Renmark navels—which sold satisfactorily—these oranges realised less than the cost of marketing. Yet when returning from Vancouver, judge of his surprise to find 250 tons of Californian oranges on board the steamer consigned to Australia! "There is something wrong somewhere," says Mr. Pitt. "Cannot Australian oranges be kept in cool chambers till there is a demand for them? There is room here for an enterprising firm." Mr. Pitt says that the fruitgrowers of California have more pests to contend against than Australians. The orchards are full of disease of one kind and another.

The sugar season is about finished on the Clarence River, having occupied a longer time than usual. The Harwood mill has worked about a month longer than it generally does, or is desirable, although its capacity has increased. Most growers have secured yields above the average, crops going up to 75 and 80 tons per acre, which speaks well for the richness of the flats along the river.

Some four years ago Mr. Alfred Hay, of Boomanoomana, Mulwala, had a small irrigation plant laid down, by which about 150 acres were served. So successful was this small area that a larger plant has been constructed. It consists of a 30-h.p. compound low-pressure engine, by which the water is raised from the Murray to a height of 30ft from drought level of the river by means of a 15in centrifugal pump fixed 14ft below the surface of the ground, an 18in suction pipe carried through an 18in timbered tunnel, and an 18in delivery pipe fixed into 14in abutment walls connected with the channels on the surface. The pump throws from 4000 to 6000 gallons per minute, or about 6,000,000 gallons daily. The main channel is some 70 chains long by 40ft wide, having a depth of 3ft. The banks are on a level, and a subsidiary drain on each side connects with the distributing channels, which are about nine miles in length.

Although it is an exception to find a kitchen dish cloth that will smell sweet an hour after use, on some farms it is used to wash milk utensils. Sometimes they are also wiped with a towel that has done duty on the china, glassware, and, possibly, the pots and kettles. Discard both dish cloth and towel when milk utensils are being washed, writes Professor Webster in the "American Agriculturist." Wash them in warm water first, with plenty of some washing compound, and use a brush to do the work, but never a rag. Get into every part of them, after which rinse off with clean warm water, and then either put them in boiling water or pour boiling water over them. Stand the parts up so that they will drain, and use no cloth to wipe them. The hot surface will dry them quickly, and they will be clean. Leave the parts in a sunshiny place, if possible.

The Albury Municipal Council grows a crop on one of its parks. Some 40 odd acres were planted this season, and off this 40 tons of first-class hay were taken. The cost of planting, cutting, and stacking was only £25, and at the present time it would sell for something like £200.

ALBION PARK SHOW.

OPENED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

VERY DRY SEASON.

SURPRISING DISPLAY.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

ALBION PARK, Wednesday.

The twenty-first show held under the auspices of the Albion Park A., H., and I. Society was opened yesterday under very discouraging circumstances so far as weather conditions were concerned. The attendance was only moderate. There has been practically no rain since June last, and this part of the district, in common with all other centres along the coast, has suffered to an alarming extent. The man on the land has had a very uphill fight to keep his cattle alive, and in most instances the outlay has exceeded the income to keep things going. Some months ago it was contemplated, in view of the drought, to postpone the show; but the event has become so much a part of the social round of the year that it was finally decided to go on, although Dapto and other societies decided to wait till conditions were more favourable. The committee, having decided to go on, the residents rose to the occasion, with the result that over 2000 entries were received. The quality of the exhibits in fruit, flowers, and agricultural produce was excellent, while the cattle and horses, although not so numerous as in former years, were in very good condition. The official opening ceremony was performed by Mr. W. H. Wood, Chief Secretary.

Mr. Wood said he recognised the importance of country shows, not only to the immediate vicinity in which they were, but to other centres as well. Although the district had been handicapped by most adverse conditions, he congratulated all concerned on the excellent display made, not only in the pavilion, but in respect of the exhibits in the cattle and horse sections. The horticultural, agricultural, and dairy produce exhibits were a revelation to him. As a reward for the pluck shown by the farmers, he hoped that next year they would have a much better season, and that the show would be just as successful as in former years. (Applause.)

At the luncheon the president (Mr. J. Musgrave) presided. In responding to the toast of "The State Parliament," proposed by Mr. L. Mood, J.P., Mr. Wood said that the Premier was a man of great integrity and backbone. These were qualifications that went a long way in the success of a man leading a party. He was pleased to hear that the Government had recognised their show, and he hoped that the Minister for Agriculture would see his way to expand his department and give more encouragement to the dairying industry. He sympathised with the people in the trying time they were passing through in consequence of the drought. What was really wanted was, not the visit of a Minister, but a good fall of rain. (Hear, hear.) He congratulated the committee on its pluck and energy in going on with the exhibition and making such a success of it under most trying conditions. (Applause.)

Responding to the toast of "The Federal Parliament," Mr. G. W. Fuller, M.P., said that in 1901, when federation was established, the total quantity of butter produced in New South Wales was 39,056,878lb, the total for the Commonwealth being 101,671,666lb. Five years later the quantity produced in this State had increased to 58,877,182lb, and in the Commonwealth to 159,870,662lb. This was very satisfactory, and prosperity was assured for the people in the future.

THE AWARDS.

Cattle for Dairy Purposes.—Bull, 3 years and upwards: James Bros., 1; C. W. Craig, 2; E. Bonser, 3. Bull, 2 years and under: H. Miller, 1; E. Bonser, 2. Bull, 2 years and under 3: E. R. Bigg, 1; Faulks Bros., 2. Bull, 1 year and under 2: T. R. Moffitt, 1. Bull calf, 6 months and under 12: E. M'Clelland, 1; H. Dudgeon, 2. Milking cow: James Bros., 1; Lindsay Bros., 2; H. Dudgeon, 3; James Bros., 4. Dry cow: Graham Bros., 1; S. E. Smith, 2; C. W. Craig, 3. Heifer, 2 and under 3: C. W. Craig, 1; James Bros., 2. Heifer, 1 and under 2: James Bros., 1; H. Dudgeon, 2. Heifer calf, 6 months and under 1: H. C. Zeims, 1; J. Jones, 2. Pen of four dairy cows in milk, champion prize: H. Dudgeon, 1; James Bros., 2. Pen of four dairy cows, under 4 years, champion prize: T. Cook. Pen of four dairy heifers, 2 yrs and under 3: C. W. Craig, 1; James Bros., 2. Pen 4 heifers, 1 yr. and under 2: C. W. Craig, 1; H. Dudgeon, 2. Pen 4 heifers, 6 months and under 12: D. Dudgeon, 1; J. W. Cole, 2. Milking cow, not having more than four permanent teeth: Graham Bros., 1; T. Cook, 2. Dairy cow, non-prize winner at Albion Park Show: E. R. Bigg, 1; T. Cook, 2. Champion prize for group of dairy cattle, 1 bull, 2 cows, and 3 heifers: James Bros., 1; Lindsay Bros., 2. Best cow on ground: H. Dudgeon. Durham class, milking strain—Bull, 3 yrs. and upwards: J. W. Cole, 1; E. R. Bigg, 2. Bull, 2 yrs. and under 4: W. Jennings, 1; H. Bartlett, 2. Bull, 2 yrs. and under 3: C. W. Craig, 1; A. Alexander, 2. Bull, 1 yr. and under 2: W. C. Dunster, 1; E. R. Bigg, 2. Bull and heifer calf under 12 months, champion prize: J. Jones, 1; E. R. Bigg, 2. Bull calf, under 6 months: J. Jones, 1; T. Cook, 2. Cow, any age, in milk: H. Dudgeon, 1; Graham Bros., 2. Dry cow: T. Cook, 1; Graham Bros., 2. Heifer, 2 yrs. and under 3: J. W. Cole, 1; C. W. Craig, 2. Heifer, 1 yr. and under 2: S. Clarke, 1; C. W. Craig, 2. Heifer calf, 6 months and under 12 months: Graham Bros., 1; J. W. Cole, 2. Bull and five of progeny, 3 yrs. and under, T. Cook, 1; E. R. Bigg, 2. Pen of four heifer calves, under 12 months: T. Cook, 1; Graham Brothers, 2. Ayrshires—Bull, 2yrs and upwards: Lindsay Brothers. Bull, 2yrs and under 3yrs: J. Barrett. Bull, 1yr and under 2yrs: J. Barrett, 1; Lindsay Brothers, 2. Cow, any age: Lindsay Brothers, 1 and 2. Heifer, 2yrs and under 3yrs: Lindsay Brothers, 1 and 2. Heifer, 1yr and under 2yrs: J. Barrett, 1; Lindsay Brothers, 2. Alderneys or Jerseys—Bull, 3yrs and upwards: A. A. Brown. Bull, 2yrs and under 3yrs: J. A. Brown. Cow, any age: L. R. Mood, 1; J. A. Brown, 2. Heifer, 2yrs and under 3yrs: A. Wilson. Champion bull: E. R. Bigg, 1; J. W. Cole, 2. Champion cow: James Brothers. Reserve champion: Lindsay Brothers.

Blood Horses.—Stallion, any age: R. T. Jenkins, 1; Allen and M'Donald, 2. Colt or gelding, 2yrs and under: D. Condon, 1; C. M'Glinchey, 2. Colt or gelding, 1yr and under 2yrs: A. W. Gray, 1; D. Murphy, 2. Mare, 3yrs and over: G. Griffin, 1; M. M'Gee, 2. Filly, 2 yrs. and under 3: H. Swan, 1; R. Cram, 2. Filly, 1 and under 2: Rev. W. Hayden, 1; J. A. Raftery, 2. Colt or gelding, 1 and under 2, by Dorchester: A. W. Bray. Yearling filly by Dorchester: Rev. W. Hayden. Colt or filly foal by Dorchester: C. M'Clinchy. Champion blood foal on ground: C. M'Clinchey.

Draught horses.—Stallion, any age: D. Manson. Colt or gelding, 1 and under 2: W. Jennings, 1; T. Conson, 2. Mare, 3 and over: D. Manson, 1 and 2. Filly, 2 yrs and under 3: D. Manson, 1. W. Boles, 2. Filly, 1 and under 2: D. Manson. Draught mare, non prizewinner: W. J. Johnson, 1; A. Wilson, 2. Colt or filly foal by Blue Ribbon: D. Manson. Champion draught foal: D. Manson. Pair draught horses: J. Walker, 1; E. R. Bigg, 2. Factory cart horse: R. C. Johnston, 1; A. Mera Box, 1. Active farm horse: J. Gray, 1; E. R. Bigg, 2. Mare, calculated to produce army remounts: A. Gray, 1; Eric Couch, 2. Maiden trotter: R. C. Johnson, 1; A. Fuller, 2.

Agricultural produce.—Wheat: C. Dawes, 1; G. Fleet, 2. Barley: W. Dennis, 1; G. Dare, 2. Oats: G. Dare, 1; G. Fleet, 2. Rye: G. Dare, 1; D. Manson, 2. Maize: D. Manson, 1; R. C. Johnston, 2. Maize in grain: J. Johnston, 1; J. Hamilton, 2. Oaten hay: J. Walker, 1; G. Gear, 2. Black potatoes: G. Dare. Brownells: J. Barrett, 1; A. Fraser, 2. Early rose: J. Barrett, 1; J. Brown, 2. Any other variety: J. Barrett, 1. Collection of potatoes: J. Barrett, 1; E. C. Dare, 2.

Dairy Produce.—Box creamery, factory, or separator butter: Illawarra Central Dairy Co., 1; Woodhill Co., 2. 5lb butter, for table use: Illawarra Central, 1; Woodhill Dairy Co., 2. Butter, from where refrigerating plant is used, suitable for export: Illawarra Central, 1. Hen eggs: C. M'Clinchy. Duck eggs: H. Thomas.

Vehicle and Farm Implements.—Bent-shaft sulky, straight-shaft sulky, iron and wooden ploughs, iron harrow, springcart: L. R. Mood, all prizes. Reversible plough: J. E. Richardson, 1 and 2. Factory cane: H. W. Parkinson.

Pigs.—Berkshire boar: J. Dawes. Boar, any other breed: G. Gray. Sow, with litter: J. Dawes.

Dogs.—Fox-terrier: J. Marceau. English terrier: G. Gray. Scotch collie: A. Fraser. Cattle dog: F. O'Gorman. Cattle slut: D. Condon. Pointer: H. Zioma. Greyhound: J. A. Raftery. Beagle: G. Dare. Kelpie or sheep dog: D. Condon.

Horticultural Produce.—Cabbages: H. Thomas. Butter beans: G. Dare. French beans: G. Fleet. Broad beans: W. A. Dennis. Green peas: T. Timms. Cucumbers: Gibson. Gourds: W. A. Dennis. Pumpkins: R. C. Johnston. Onions: J. Missingham. Potato onions: Faulks Bros. Carrots: Faulks Bros.

The principal winners in the fruit section were:—F. Ford, J. A. Raftery, Mrs. Alexander, M. Gilligan, H. M'Gill, C. Prior, and Miss Moles.

Cut Flowers Section.—Principal winners were:—Mrs. E. Couch, Mrs. M'Phaid, Mrs. J. Alexander, Mrs. C. W. Craig, H. M'Gill, Mrs. J. C. Graham, and Mrs. A. Weston.

The principal winners in poultry were:—H. H. Fryer, C. M'Clinchy, J. Hayes, W. H. Mood, and H. Thomas.

In the jams and jellies sections Mrs. Colley and Miss Nellie Palmer were the principal winners.

Owing to the continued dry weather, no entries were received for the cream test prize for the cow giving milk of the most commercial value.

BUTTER GRADING.

Mr. Arthur P. Hall, Wagga Wagga, writes in reply to Mr. Chambers's letter, in opposition to State butter grading:—Mr. Chambers should not condemn a good principle simply because he is of the opinion that the officials are not competent. If it is a fact that the producers are keenly feeling their losses, owing to State grading, it is only because they are now getting the true value of their produce. The "fictitious" values that companies gave them some few years back have disappeared, no doubt to the benefit of the companies that are purchasing, and also in the other direction that Mr. Chambers complains of. Every experienced manager knew that it was only a matter of time when the State would have to take a hand in the deal, for if the industry were allowed to go along on the same lines as it did a few years back, the producers would have eventually lost all. He insinuates that the officials want to grade the managers also. I don't think so, although that is a system I personally believe in, as Mr. Chambers and all other competent managers would then get paid according to their ability, and it would stop men accepting the position of managers at a low wage who have not had a proper factory training, so there is nothing to fear on that score.

Properly made butter will not suffer much in transit to Sydney, and as to the producers consigning their butter to anti-graders, it is not for the reason Mr. Chambers would have us believe. The reason is that Mr. Meares is at the head of a great co-operative concern, whose sole object is to give the producers full value for their product. We have in Mr. Meares the greatest fighter for the co-operative movement that it is possible to find. The farmers recognise this, and are giving him the patronage he richly deserves. Every experienced manager will admit that the keeping qualities of our butter can be greatly improved upon in general. Had Mr. O'Callaghan got the necessary legislation to assist him some few years back our industry would today be on a better footing, and the methods that Mr. O'Callaghan then advocated, and has since dropped owing to the opposition that he met with, will yet have to come before our butter will be in general of good keeping quality. The matter of a factory getting less points for its butter after the installation of coolers is not evidence that the officials are incompetent. Quite the contrary. I have had 18 years' experience as a factory manager in N.S.W., and the worst butter I ever made during that term was in the best equipped factory that it had been my lot to manage. Some people think if a factory is equipped with modern appliances the manager can make butter out of mud, so to speak. Carelessness on the part of the suppliers or manager may have happened after the installation of the coolers, delivery of cream, etc. It may be as easily traced to this cause, in fact, just as easy, as to blame the grader's palate. We can make a butter equal to any butter in the world, but to do this certain methods will have to be adopted, and there is only one way that our butter in general can be brought to this high-water mark on the world's markets. Legislation to educate the dairymen what is really required of them to assist a manager in making F.C.Q. butter will have to come. Managers in the past have been powerless to induce the suppliers to send in their cream daily, and at a consistency conducive to making F.C.Q. butter. Managers who have had a varied experience know this only too well. I think it would be a wiser step for managers to assist the Government through their expert, Mr. O'Callaghan, in their desire to improve the industry than to publicly criticise a good principle.

THE N.S.W. WINE INDUSTRY.

Mr. W. A. Barlow writes:—The importance and variety of the subjects which the New South Wales Wine Association has dealt with during the last year should serve to bring under the notice of the Government the pressing necessity for a conference of New South Wales vignerons and Australian wine merchants. It is now 18 years since a conference of vignerons was held in Sydney, and it is full time that another gathering of the kind was held, if only to assist the newly formed Agricultural Department of this State to ascertain how far the requirements of the wine-growing industry are urgent, and whether there is any reasonable chance of giving assistance that will prove generally acceptable and beneficial. The disabilities under which the New South Wales wine industry now labours demand the most serious public attention and consideration. Among the subjects that could be brought under the notice of the Minister of Agriculture is the question of dealing with the phylloxera pest, the establishment of a viticultural college, and, the most urgent of all, the licensing question, which requires to be dealt with in a vigorous and emphatic manner. The present condition of affairs is little short of scandalous in a country specially adapted by nature for the production of wine. The law itself requires to be liberalised by offering greater facilities for the granting of licenses. The law as now administered is more calculated to throttle the industry than encourage it. Yet the Government maintains a Viticultural Department and a viticultural expert to instruct our vignerons in the cultivation of the vine, and in the making of wine. The Government of Cape Colony quite recently voted no less a sum than £150,000 to help its wine industry, and at the same time appointed a commercial agent in London, whose chief duty is to push Cape Colony wine in England.

LAND SETTLEMENT.

The following statements show the land selected, and the area made available for residential settlement during the month of December and during the period from January 1 to December 31, 1907:—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE CROWN LANDS ACTS.

ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.

	During December.		From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.	
	No. of applications.	Area, acres.	No. of applications.	Area, acres.
Conditional purchase leases	14	14,161	220	140,241
Original conditional purchases	71	9,269	1,636	224,022
Conditional leases applied for with O.C.P.'s	(30)	19,163	(946)	383,179
Original homestead selections	7	2,606	154	46,352
Original settlement leases	3	7,150	141	665,461
Settlement purchases	—	—	198	96,080
Total	95	32,346	2,355	1,555,335
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional conditional purchases	125	6,598	1,210	184,426
Additional conditional leases	69	18,494	1,535	484,108
Additional homestead selections	2	895	102	32,286
Additional set'ment leases	5	6,340	67	74,400
Total	128	32,457	2,914	77[illegible]

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.

Conditional purch. leases	16	19,994	165	141,165
Original conditional purchases	20	368	148	12,133
Original conditional purchases and conditional leases	14	7,256	865	530,960
Original homestead selections	5	2,731	146	30,404
Original settlement leases	2	12,971	84	467,158
Settlement purchases	—	—	185	89,486
Total	65	43,320	1,093	1,271,236
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
All forms of additional holdings	48	23,380	700	575,303
Additional conditional purchases	2	13	42	6,658
Additional conditional purchases and conditional leases	1	20	112	145,964
Additional homestead selections	4	95	23	2,483
Additional settlement leases	—	—	25	31,449
Additional conditional purchases, conditional leases, or additional homestead selections	—	—	20	6,490
Total	55	23,508	928	768,247

CHEESE-MAKING IN QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE.—In conversation with the Government dairy expert, Mr. G. S. Thomson, on the outlook for the cheese-making industry, he said:—"I do not know of any part of the world where the industry could be more profitably established than here. During my inquiries into the cheese trade in Great Britain I had the fullest opportunity to study the requirements of the market, and it was then fully demonstrated to me that Queensland can ship to London Cheddar cheese of a quality equal to the best Canadian or New Zealand."

QUEENSLAND SETTLEMENT.

BRISBANE.—Over a million and a half acres of land were selected in the Charleville land agents' district last year. Nearly 200,000 acres are now available and will be open for selection shortly.

DAIRYING.

BATHURST.—At the usual monthly meeting of the directors of the Bathurst Co-operative Dairy Company, the manager reported having received 55,955lb of cream for the month of December, 1907, and having manufactured 27,950lb butter. Suppliers were paid 4½d per lb for the cream. The amount paid suppliers was £1059 4s 6d, with a bonus of 2½d per cent. per shareholder suppliers. For the corresponding month last year the amount of cream received was 58,020lb, the butter manufactured 29,020lb, and the amount paid to suppliers £992; and the suppliers were paid 4d lb for the cream. The number of suppliers is now 88.

BYRON BAY.—Byron Bay Co-operative Butter and Bacon Factory showed a considerable increase in its output last month, manufacturing 420 tons of butter, and paying suppliers 9 7-8d for first-class, and 8 7-8d per lb for second-class; also 5½d per lb for pork. The total pay for the month was £44,000, which is the second largest. The report says the milk supply has increased and, as expected, the percentage of second-class butter has increased through so much young grass, and advises farmers not to mix fresh and cold cream, as it contributes largely to second-class butter. The cable prices from London for Unara brand, this company's special brand for export, have not been under 120s. The pig supply has been good, and the quality satisfactory, but suppliers are cautioned against growing pigs too heavy.

INVERELL.—The output of butter for the month of December amounted to 48,997lb, being an increase on the previous month of 11,600lb. The amount paid to suppliers was £2081, the price for first quality being 10½d and for second 9½d.

MACLEAN.—The first annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Maclean Co-operative Dairy Company was held on the 8th inst. The report and balance-sheet showed that the new factory had commenced operations on December 16, and was working very satisfactorily. The factory, with all extras, has cost £3796. There were 1740 fully paid-up shares allotted, and 740 partly paid-up. Authority was given to raise money on mortgage, or otherwise, to pay off the balance due on the machinery, and the terms of amalgamation with the Lower Southgate Dairy Company were agreed to. This latter company had been running a creamery for some years, and its shares are fully paid up to £362. It was agreed that its shareholders should be allotted shares in the Maclean Dairy Company credited as paid up to 15s in the £, the suppliers undertaking to send their cream to the factory. The following directors were elected:—Messrs. K. M'Donald, E. C. Bishop, Jas. Boorman, Allan Cameron, Jas. M'Millan, Alex. Jones, Thos. Noonan, Geo. Watson, and E. Apps.

ORANGE.—The Orange Co-operative Central Dairy Company's operations for the month show that 34,389lb of cream were received, from which 16,826lb of butter were made, suppliers being paid £737. One hundred and twelve pigs were received for bacon, weighing 14,033lb, to the value of £296.

FARMERS' MEETINGS.

PEAK HILL.—At a meeting of the Tomingley Farmers and Settlers' Association the matter of the proposed abolition of the pastures protection boards was discussed. The proposal was negatived. The meeting considered that the boards' work could not be satisfactorily relegated to the shire councils. It was decided to co-operate with the Molong Board, urging the Government to extend Dr. Danysz's experiments to the mainland.

THE HARVEST.

COROWA.—Harvesting operations are nearly completed, and the estimate has not been exceeded, in fact, slightly less, viz., six bushels. At Balldale the crops have been better than in other parts of the district, three and up to five bags being harvested, notably on fallowed land, which seems to be the salient feature with good crops.

THE CANE SEASON.

MACLEAN.—Crushing was finished at the Harwood mill on Tuesday night. The season commenced on June 28—the longest on record, with one exception. About 85,000 tons of cane was crushed, estimated to yield over 8500 tons of sugar. The cutters in Loy's gang earned over £112 per man, being a record for the Clarence. Baker's gang earned £9 less. The lowest gang made about £62. Owing to the drought in the early part of the summer the next year's crop is expected to be lighter. The crushing operations were remarkably free from delays.

THE BEN LOMOND ESTATE.

GUYRA.—A good deal of interest is being taken locally in the subdivision of the Ben Lomond Estate, which was sold recently by Mr. Mott to Messrs. Stirton Bros. and Beauchamp. General surveyors are now going over the land, and it is expected that their work of cutting up the estate into suitable farms will be concluded by the end of the month. The estate is certain to command the attention of farmers, as it is within a few miles of Ben Lomond railway station, and is on the main Glen Innes road. It has been looked upon for years as an ideal property for closer settlement, on account of its sheltered position and the richness of the soil on the magnificent flats either for farming or dairying.

ORANGES FOR EXPORT.

WEST MAITLAND.—320 dozen oranges, from the orchard of Mr. Milburn, Dungog, were purchased at the Farmers' Union sales yesterday for export. A New Zealand consignment brought 10½d to 11d dozen.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

BYRON BAY.—Since the season has turned favourable to farmers on the North Coast, through generous rain, large importations of cattle in low condition have come into the district, chiefly from the South Coast.

COROWA.—Mr. E. L. Archer, secretary of the Corowa Vine and Fruitgrowers' Association, has been supplying grasshopper fungus to a number of orchardists, with a view to destroying the pest, which has worked terrible havoc in the gardens, orchards, and vineyards.

CROOME.—The fall of about an inch of rain at Croome, on the South Coast, has had a wonderful effect already upon the grass. The country round about has been very bare for some time, but now grass has taken a new lease of life, and is springing up wonderfully green.

INVERELL.—Considerable alterations and improvements are being made to the Inverell P. and A. Association's grounds, in preparation for the show, commencing on March 24. A new 8ft galvanised iron fence, completely enclosing the ground, is almost complete. The horse stalls and boxes have been removed and re-erected along the Byron-street side, and some 20 additional stalls added. The sheep building has also being taken down, and is being rebuilt on the site formerly occupied by the horseboxes. The ring is being enlarged permanently, and the lawn fronting the grand stand enclosed with a new picket fence. A new band stand, occupying a site between the grand stand and the produce pavilion, is completed, and is a handsome addition to the grounds. Several other improvements are contemplated, and the committee are working hard to have everything up to date in time for the show.

LIVERPOOL.—George's River, above the dam, is beginning to show effects of the prolonged drought, sandbanks manifesting themselves in different places. Of late numbers of cattle and stock are reported to have died owing to the severity of the weather conditions and their consequences. The recent intermittent storms have assisted in providing water for domestic purposes, though the scarcity of that commodity is causing alarm in some parts.

WEST WYALONG.—Mr. D. H. Ranken has sold his Greenwood property, three miles from West Wyalong, comprising about 2500 acres conditional purchase and conditional lease, at £2 15s per acre, to Mr. Thomas King, from Warracknabeal, Wimmera district, Victoria. A very large number of applications are being lodged at Barmedman for six conditional purchase lease blocks, six to nine miles from West Wyalong, near Yiddah railway siding. Notwithstanding the dry weather conditions, landed property in this locality is in fair demand, and owners will not accept dry weather prices.

STOCK MOVEMENTS.

BOURKE.—308 wethers, Pioneer Farm to Flemington, H. Stagg; 1000 ewes and rams, Lower Lila to Wyuna Downs, A. L. and F. Co., Ltd.; 85 rams, Yanda to Booroomugga, P. J. Kelly; 25 rams, Yanda to Nymagee, E. Killen; 630 ewes, Cambusheneth to Monagee, A. Trigg; 400 mixed sheep, Morton Plains to Goodooga, Owen Darcey; 152 fat cattle, Dynevor Downs to Sydney, Western Company Proprietary, Limited; 300 wethers, Pioneer Farm to Sydney; H. Stagg; 3000 ewes, Correlia to Darbaria, S. A. L. Coy., Ltd.; 2000 ewes, Dijoe to Maranoa, W. P. Bragg; 1250 wethers, Milroy to Brewarrina, A. Adams; 501 store steers, Kallara to Bourke, Mrs. M. Strickland; 200 Bourke to Forbes, same owner; 200, Bourke to Coronga Peak, Coronga Peak Pastoral Co.; 14 horses, 12 mixed cattle, and 2000 mixed sheep, Collerina to Hall's Leases, M. Livingstone; 24 horses, Moocults to Myrtle Vale, Mrs. J. M'C. Barton; 147 mixed cattle, Multagoona to New Park, J. Cuffe.

COONAMBLE.—5000, Cuminbra to Walgett district, H. P. Blake; 5000 wethers, Wingadee to Wallallow, N.Z. A. L. Co. owners; 3000 mixed sheep, Avondale to Teridgerie, J. C. H. Morland; 2300 mixed sheep, Merriaman to The Oaks, J. C. H. Morland; 40 rams, Calga to Warialda, A. M. Ie and F. Co.; 1839 mixed sheep, Willow Downs to Bugaldie Creek, George Thompson; 900 ewes, Calga to Yerriman, A. M. L. and F. Co.; 1500 mixed sheep, Trenton to Teridgerie, T. G. Tyen; 450 mixed sheep, Dinoa to Galvin's selection, Bolin Nott; 5000 mixed sheep, Carwell to Marthaguy Creek, Severne Bros.; 500 mixed sheep, Federal Park to Baradine, George Hitchen; 650 sheep, Federal Park to Bourbah, George Hitchen; 3467 sheep, Everleigh to Digilah, W. and H. A. Patrick.

GLEBE AND UNIMPROVED VALUES.

On Monday night, at the Town Hall, Glebe, Mr. A. G. Huie spoke on the question of rating. Alderman Earl was in the chair. Mr. Huie outlined the rating powers of the Act, quoted New Zealand and Queensland experience, which was entirely favourable. He had just received a letter from the town clerk of Brisbane, and he quoted from it to show that the fears expressed by opponents were not borne out in practice. The chairman gave his own experience of the old method of rating, and favoured the new. A motion to form a branch of the league was carried.

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Be wise in time. Damp your Grey Hairs with LOCKYER'S SULPHUR HAIR RESTORER. After a very few days your testimony to this marvellous Hair Darkener may be safely counted on. Bottles, 1s 6d.—Advt.

"A Casual Glance" in this week's "Sydney Mail" is, as usual, crisply written and humorously illustrated.—Advt.

OUR WOOL CLIP.

AMENDED ESTIMATE.

SHORTAGE OF 40,000 BALES.

It will be remembered that prior to the opening of the current wool year estimates were made of the 1907-8 Australasian clip. Guesses were plentiful, and a large increase was predicted by some Continental and British buying houses. As the selling season approached conditions for wool-growing were very adverse in parts of Australasia, especially New South Wales. This led to modified views as to the probable output; but the position was not at all clear or definite till the subject was taken in hand on this side, and an estimate of the clip made by selling houses having first-hand information from all parts of the Commonwealth and New Zealand. Dalgety and Co., Ltd., prepared an estimate, and an article was published based on it in the "Sydney Morning Herald" of September 27 last. The estimate was made up very largely on estimates furnished by station owners, upon whose clips it had previously been the custom to make forecasts. The general conditions were also taken into account. However, subsequent to the forming of that estimate a further spell of droughty conditions was experienced in parts of the country, with the result that the growth of wool in many districts was prejudicially affected, leading to fewer bales in very many instances when the clip came to be shorn. The early shearing and consequent shorter staple, compared to the late shearing of the 1906-7 clip, also tended to reduce the output for the present season. These important factors in determining the clip for the 1907-8 season necessitate an amended estimate, for the prospects now are not for a stationary clip, so far as Australasia is concerned, or an increase of 4000 bales, as shown in the previous figures, but a shortage of 40,000 bales as compared with last year.

NEW SOUTH WALES DECREASE.

The greatest difference between estimated and actual figures is met with in the case of this State. The falling-off in wool production in New South Wales was put in September last at 40,000 bales. It was meant to be a conservative estimate, and so it proves to be; for a comparison of actual receipts of wool on the seaboard and border stations from July 1, 1906, to date leaves no doubt that there will be a shortage compared with last year of 75,000 bales. Dalgety and Co., in making an amended estimate, find from latest particulars received from the other States and New Zealand that there will probably be no increase whatever in Victoria, Tasmania, and New Zealand, while, in the case of South Australia and Western Australia, the increases are put down at about 14,000 and 2000 bales respectively. These figures vary but slightly from those given in the September estimate, which were an increase of 15,000 bales in South Australia and 4000 in Western Australia. The Queensland increase is now estimated at about 20,000 bales, as against 35,000 bales in the earlier forecast. To sum up the position: South Australia, Western Australia, and Queensland promise an aggregate increase of 35,000 to 36,000 bales, as against a decrease of 75,000 bales in New South Wales, Dalgety and Co.'s estimated figures, as amended, being as follow:—

	1907-8. Estimated. Bales.	1906-7. Actual. Bales.
New South Wales	880,500	956,500
Victoria	268,500	298,500
Queensland	224,000	204,000
South Australia	177,500	158,500
Western Australia	44,000	42,000
Tasmania	28,500	31,500
New Zealand	427,000	427,000
Totals	2,050,000	2,000,000

The results, as indicated, are important to the trade, besides being very different to those upon which a large increase was predicted in some quarters towards the close of the last selling season.

STATISTICAL POSITION OF LITTLE ACCOUNT.

At this time last year the wool trade was facing an increase of about 225,000 bales; notwithstanding which there was an exceedingly buoyant market, with values tending upwards. This exceedingly satisfactory state of things for wool-growers continued throughout the remainder of the 1906-07 wool season. No doubt whatever was expressed at that time as to the ability of consumers to absorb supplies, and in every direction confidence was felt in regard to the future. There was no occasion for fear, owing to the good trade everywhere, and an absence of increase of raw material in the wool-producing countries of the world. Some authorities have of late pointed out that the statistical position does not enter into the present situation, the dominant feature at the moment being the financial one, beside which all things else pale into insignificance. But to ignore the question of supply and demand is to lose sight of the kernel in the walnut. It can readily be granted that the American crisis, which so demoralised the London and Continental money market for a time towards the close of last year, was the chief, if not the sole, cause of disorganising the Australian wool markets. But that was only a transient phase, and might have been eased, as many think, if wool supplies had been light, and there had been no clashing or overlapping of sales in some of the States during the most acute stage of the money panic. Buyers were called upon to lift heavy weights of wool when money was tight and dear; limits were reduced, and lower values ruled.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND MUST SWAY.

The financial trouble and heavy selling obscured the statistical position in some quarters, but the principles governing supply and demand under normal conditions must soon reassert themselves, and in the course of a little while conditions should be entirely favourable to wool-growing interests, since the Australasian supply for the 1907-08 wool season is most unlikely to be estimated by manufacturers as anything more than sufficient to cover their requirements. In fact, the probability is that the remaining quantity of wool in sight will be regarded as short of bare actual needs; in support of which it may be pointed out that when the 1906-7 wool was sold there were practically empty warehouses on the other side. Moreover, arrivals of new clip wool were looked for in order to keep the mills going. If the "Sydney Morning Herald" harps somewhat on this phase of the subject, it is only because there is good reason for doing so. Indeed, to lightly pass it by would be to neglect the great producing interests not only of this State, but also of the other parts if the Commonwealth. The point at the present moment is that the bulk of the clip has been sold in a short length of time in the Australian markets, and with the exception of moderate stocks, the balance goes to London for realisation. Meanwhile, it is claimed that the present position, viewed from the supply point of view, is a strong one for growers, and that the wool to be offered as from Tuesday next in the Sydney market is not sufficiently large to warrant any further depreciation in values.

EXHIBITION OF DRAWINGS.

The annual exhibition of drawings in connection with the Sydney School of Mechanical Drawing and Correspondence Instruction was held at 389 Pitt-street on Friday and Saturday. The collection comprised exhibits in architectural, geometrical, and mechanical drawing, furniture design, perspective, painting, and sheet-metal work.

The following is a list of the successful pupils at the recent exhibition:—

Certificates.—First year: F. M. Ball, Cecil Dundas (with honours); R. A. Dunn, Alfred Heine, Edward Purnell, Thomas Rogers, E. Thiry, Alfred R. Williams (first grade); C. A. Atkinson, E. C. Begg, A. Currie, J. R. Hicks, E. Knox, F. E. Mullin, William C. Nelson, R. Reid, E. B. Nelson (second grade). Second year: Tom Wilson, W. H. Binns (with honours); Albert E. Rothery, G. H. Southwick, E. E. Walker (first grade); S. Cameron, George E. Moreton, S. M'Evoy (second grade). Third year: William B. Rowe (with honours); G. Gibson, Edwin J. Parry (first grade).

Prizes.—Mechanical Drawing.—First year: Cecil Dundas, 1; Fred. H. Ball, 2. Second year: Tom Wilson, 1; W. H. Binns, 2. Third year: William B. Rowe, 1; Luke R. Muras, 2.

Architectural Drawing.—Leslie Pinn (taught by mail), 1; T. G. Lang, 2. Special prize, W. L. Hodgkinson.

Sheet Metal Work.—Fred. W. Smith, 1; Robert Don, 2.

Diplomas.—Robert Don (Perth, W.A.), V. G. Veness (Temora), Leslie Pinn (Goulburn), W. A. Clarke, Luke R. Muras, Harold Stocker.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

OUR STATE SYSTEM.

MUNICIPALISM AT WORK.

A MUNICIPAL STATESMAN.

The retirement of Mr. W. J. Trickett, M.L.C., from the Woollahra Council, after over 30 years' service, is a notable event. It is an unfortunate thing that in New South Wales in the past our leading politicians have held aloof from participation in municipal life. There has always been a certain amount of contempt implied in their attitude towards civic work. It need not be emphasised unduly that the attitude of public-men in England and America is radically different. There the very best statesmen feel proud to join in the civic government, both of cities and of rural districts. The excuse here has been that the out-of-date municipal Acts gave no scope for men of that class. Mr. Trickett's career contradicts this. He was able to make the work important enough to occupy his time advantageously to himself and to the borough he represented, and his civic position as alderman and Mayor of the borough did not prevent him making his mark in Parliament, nor disqualify him from occupying many high and responsible political positions. Perhaps when a Greater Sydney comes into being we shall get Mr. Trickett back, to bring his wide experience and knowledge into the larger sphere of Sydney government.

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THE COMING ELECTIONS.

Varying reports come from the shire and municipal areas as to the interest shown in the coming elections. In a few it is at boiling heat, but zero represents the amount of enthusiasm in the majority. One significant feature is that a great number of the old members are retiring, and not seeking re-election. Whether this is attributable to the alleged difficulties of the new system under the 1906 Act, or whether they have done their share and are allowing younger men to step into the breach, it is difficult to say. Most of those interested are now looking into the question of procedure at the election. A few points may be of value to candidates, voters, and others. To begin with, a question of detail arises as to whether their returning officers and poll-clerks should make declarations before they enter upon their duties. Under the old Municipalities Act these officers before entering upon duty as such had to make a statutory declaration that they would observe secrecy in their work, etc., etc. This formality has been done away with in the ordinances under the Local Government Act. They are not now required to make such declarations. None the less they are compelled to observe strict secrecy regarding matters which come within their knowledge while acting as electoral officers, and any default is liable to be punished by a heavy penalty or imprisonment.

FIXING NOMINATION DAY.

Both in shires and municipalities the method of fixing nomination day is the same. The exact date is left to the returning officer. It will be seen by turning to section 30 of the Act the day of election is fixed for the 1st of February, 1908. Ordinance No. 29 requires the returning officer at some time not later than 14 days before the day of election to publish an advertisement informing the public that an election will be held on February 1, inviting electors to propose candidates for nomination, and stating that nomination day will be on a certain date. That date the returning officer must fix, and it must not be earlier than six days after the publication of the advertisement, and not later than nine days after it. Those in the municipality of Rockdale have been pushed well forward, and the nomination day has been fixed for January 18. In other municipalities matters may be left to the last possible moment, and the nomination day may be fixed as late as January 25.

WHO MAY VOTE.

The new franchise has caused some confusion to those who were accustomed to the old system under the Municipalities Act. Under the new Act the following have the right to vote:—First, occupiers: persons who are enrolled under the title of occupiers, either in municipalities or shires, may vote. But there are two conditions to be observed besides that of being enrolled. The first is that they must still be possessed of the qualification in respect of which they were originally enrolled. That is to say, they must be the occupiers of the same rateable land which they occupied at the time they were enrolled. The second is that they can only vote in one riding or ward. Secondly, owners: every person who is enrolled under the title of "owner" may vote, and there are no conditions except that he must not vote twice for the same riding or ward. For example, if William Brown owns property in each of the three ridings of a shire or in four wards of a municipality, and if he is enrolled in each of the ridings or wards, then he may vote in each riding or in each ward; but he can only be given one ballot paper in any one riding or ward. There is no such thing as plural voting now. It is one elector one vote.

RATEPAYING LESSEES.

There is a new variety of municipal elector created by the Legislative Council when the Local Government Act was passing its stormy way through that Chamber. There are no ratepaying lessees recognised under that title on the shire rolls, and the shire returning officers will be to that extent relieved from the cares of this additional matter. In municipalities it is sufficient to say that the ratepaying lessee has exactly the same voting privileges as a person who is enrolled as owner, and the same conditions apply to him. An important question arises here as to whether rates must be paid before an elector can vote. Under the old Municipalities Act the returning officer could not allow a person to vote unless all the rates due on the land in respect of which that person was enrolled had been paid. That provision has been omitted by Mr. Carruthers from the Local Government Act, and so any person can vote whether rates are paid or not. While from some points of view this is a defect, yet probably the ratepayers will say when they have had experience of the new Act that it provides ample and effective means of securing the payment of rates without going so far as to deprive of a vote a man who has inadvertently or under the pressure of dire necessity had to postpone for a time the rendering to Caesar of that which is Caesar's.

PLUMPING FORBIDDEN.

At the last shire election there was much adverse comment when it was found that certain ordinances which had been made to prohibit plumping (i.e., not voting for the full number of members required) had to be repealed because they were ultra vires, and thereby plumping became possible. As a matter of fact, though it was not forbidden, there was little or no plumping at the election. At the forthcoming election, however, it is legally prohibited, for section 62 of the Local Government Act expressly forbids it. Every voter must vote for the full number of candidates to be elected in his riding or ward. Thus in a shire there are two councillors to be elected for each riding. If there are four names on the ballot paper the voter must put a cross against two of the names, or his vote will be informal and will be rejected. In a municipality where there are to be three aldermen for each ward the elector must place his cross in the squares opposite three of the names on the ballot paper if he does not want to have his vote declared informal.

CROSSING OUT NAMES ABOLISHED.

The method of voting which is made compulsory under the ordinances to the Act is the same as that which has been established for the Commonwealth and State Parliamentary elections. Thus it is one which is familiar to most persons in the community. The names of the candidates will be plainly printed on the ballot paper, and at the side of each name will be a ruled square. The vote is to be recorded by placing a cross in the square which stands against the names of the candidates who are the choice of the voter. The old system of "crossing out" is abolished, and to cross out names on the ballot paper will render the vote informal.

INITIALLING BALLOT PAPERS.

Returning officers at the election will no doubt steer clear of a pitfall which led to the upsetting of one of the shire elections in November, 1906. An ordinance provides that the returning office, before he supplies the stock of ballot papers to his subordinate presiding officers, shall initial them himself. Then another ordinance provides that the presiding officer, before he hands out the ballot paper to the voter to record his vote, must also initial the ballot paper. There should, therefore, be two sets of initials on the back of all ballot papers used at branch polling places, but only one set of initials on ballot papers which are used in the booth where the returning officer himself presides, as it is not necessary for him to initial twice.

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REGULATING BUILDINGS.

Although the long-delayed Building Act seems as far off as ever in this State, the enactments elsewhere, and the interpretation of them, are of interest to us here while we are waiting for Parliament to deal with this shamefully neglected subject. By the London Building Act of 1894, the height of the buildings erected on any street laid out since 1862 is to be determined by the width of the street. Section 49 says that the height of the building must not exceed the distance of its front or nearest external wall from the opposite side of the street. If the street is 66ft wide, the height of the building, therefore, must not exceed 66ft. In a case which recently came before the Chancery Court in England, it was alleged that certain persons had endeavoured to evade the Act by building "sham fronts," and then erecting four or five stories behind the gable. The plaintiffs claimed that this was a contravention of the Act, and that the street had been "made dark and less healthy than it would otherwise be, and the access of light and air to the lands on the east side of the road, and to the buildings thereon opposite to the defendants' building had been obstructed, and the value of such land and buildings had been seriously depreciated."

TRIUMPH OF THE SKYSCRAPER.

The Court held, however, that, in measuring the distance from the wall of the higher building behind the gable to the opposite side of the street, for the purpose of ascertaining the height allowance of the building, the measurement must be from the bottom of a vertical line taken from the top of the external wall of the building behind the gable down to the ground. Starting from that point at the end of the vertical line, the measurement was to be made to the opposite side of the street. That gave the back building a different height allowance from that of the front building. The provision of the Act, which is obviously aimed against the erection in London of the "skyscraper," has been imperilled by this decision. For as the headnote to the decision says, there is nothing in section 49 to prohibit the erection of a building in a series of steps or terraces, one behind the other, so long as the height of each step or terrace does not exceed the distance from the other side of the street.

SOME COOTAMUNDRA NEEDS.

DISTRICT SCHOOL AND SCHOOL OF ARTS.

Mr. W. A. Holman, M.L.A., introduced a small deputation from Cootamundra to the Minister for Public Instruction yesterday, and asked for some consideration for the township's intellectual aspirations. Messrs. W. H. Matthews (president of the Shire Council), J. P. Stratton (Mayor), and S. P. Ward (hon. secretary of the district school movement) placed the case for the establishment of a district school in the township before Mr. Hogue. Their chief arguments in favour of the proposal were that the township was exceptionally favourably situated for railway travelling to the school, that a rich and populous section of the southern part of the State would be served, and that a public meeting at Cootamundra had declared in favour of the request.

Mr. Hogue said that although he was desirous of meeting the educational needs of the country he was not inclined to establish new district schools unless there was a prospect of a sufficient number of probationary students attending them to justify the proceeding. The enrolment at Cootamundra third-class Public school was under 400, and although excellent work had been done by the late teacher, Mr. Henry, and would be continued by his successor, Mr. J. Watts, who had won good opinions at Berry, the prospects for a new district school were not encouraging. He had to guard against undue multiplication of district schools. Wagga and Young district schools were at present apparently sufficient for the district, and, to be quite candid, he did not think Cootamundra should be promoted yet. There were only 28 boys and 18 girls in the fifth class at Cootamundra, and there would have to be substantial sixth and seventh classes and an average attendance over double the present one before a district school would be justified.

A request for permission to raise £1500 on the old School of Arts property in order to erect a new building was then preferred, and it was mentioned that a local man had offered to lend the necessary money at 6 per cent. without security or anything but a moral agreement on the part of the committee to repay the money and interest.

Mr. Hogue suggested that the latter offer should be accepted.

It was pointed out that £1500 could be raised on mortgage at 5 per cent.

Mr. Hogue said he had already given authority to raise £800 on mortgage, but on being assured that this sum was inadequate for the new building promised to look into the matter again, and see if it could be treated as a special case.

STATE RIGHTS ENCROACHMENTS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In Wednesday's "Herald," January 8, 1908, I was pleased to notice that Mr. Wade, the Premier of New South Wales, stated that "As far as New South Wales was concerned he was not going to allow the matter of stamp printing to slumber;" meaning, I hope, that he intends to take action to defend the legal rights of New South Wales.

Mr. Wade, as the Attorney-General of New South Wales, should know that, in accordance with the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, the seat of the Federal government, the head, or chief, office of each Federal department, and the principal residence of the Governor-General, should have been in New South Wales from the date of Federation; but instead it is in Melbourne, where it cannot be legally. The seat of the Federal government being placed in Melbourne is a breach of the Federal Constitution, and an encroachment on the legal rights of New South Wales.

It is not necessary to quote the 125th section of the Federal Constitution Act for the benefit of the Federal Ministers, as I believe they have read, and understand, but wilfully ignore, the section. But for the benefit of the electors of New South Wales who have not a copy of the Federal Constitution Act I hope you will publish the section in full.

The 125th section of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act reads as follows:—

"The seat of government of the Commonwealth shall be determined by the Parliament, and shall be within territory which shall have been granted to or acquired by the Commonwealth, and shall be vested in and belong to the Commonwealth; and if New South Wales be an original State shall be in that State, and be distant not less than one hundred miles from Sydney. Such territory shall contain an area of not less than one hundred square miles, and such portion thereof as shall consist of Crown lands shall be granted to the Commonwealth without any payment therefor. The Parliament shall sit at Melbourne until it meet at the seat of government."

Any intelligent person after reading the section must see that the Federal Parliament has no authority to select a Federal territory, and can only determine the seat of government after the territory shall have been granted to or acquired, vested in, and belong to the Commonwealth.

The Federal Parliament has attempted to select a Federal territory, which is a breach of the Constitution and an encroachment on the State rights of New South Wales.

In accordance with section 125 the Federal Parliament is to sit at Melbourne until it meets at the seat of government.

That last sentence shows that the seat of the Federal government cannot be legally in Melbourne, but somewhere else, and can only be legally in New South Wales. The Federal Parliament can sit legally in Melbourne, but the seat of government cannot be legally in Melbourne. The terms "government" and "Parliament" are not synonymous terms. The Government has the power to summon, prorogue, and dismiss Parliament, and govern in the absence of Parliament.

Making Melbourne the seat of the Federal Government was a breach of the Federal Constitution, and an encroachment on the State rights of New South Wales, for which the Federal Government are responsible. In my opinion, as a layman, every Federal Executive act done out of New South Wales is illegal, and the Federal Government should be held responsible to New South Wales at law for such acts. I am, etc.,

JOHN HYLAND.

Araluen, Jan. 13.

NEGLIGENT COUNCILS.

HEALTH ACT IGNORED.

MENACE TO THE PUBLIC.

LENIENT MAGISTRATES ENCOURAGE ADULTERATION.

It will come as a surprise to the people of Sydney to learn that there are still a large number of suburban councils that never seem to comply with the provisions of the Public Health Act, as far as seeing that the residents are supplied with pure foods. This observation particularly applies to pure milk, which is recognised by the medical faculty as the basis of all foods. As one experienced city doctor put it, not more than 50 per cent. of mothers are able to suckle their children, and the remaining 50 per cent. are dependent upon the cow for the sustenance of their little ones. Therefore, no work undertaken by councils is of such importance as that of being able to certify that the foods partaken of by the residents are free from adulteration, especially milk.

There are in the city and suburbs over forty councils charged with this work, and yet last year, from a return prepared by the Health Department, only 29 councils, including Parramatta, were active in respect to testing the local milk supply. Paddington council, which is always regarded as very active in respect to food supplies, was again on top, as far as the suburbs were concerned. Its officers took 220 samples, which was twice as many as those taken by any other suburban borough, and five or six times as many as most of them. Balmain with 95 samples, Ashfield with 90, Leichhardt with 83, and Newtown with 80 to their credit were also active. The municipalities which took samples were as follows:—

Municipalities.	Samples Analysed.	Adulterated.	Prosecutions.	Convictions.	Vendors warned.
Sydney	405	38	6	6	[illegible]
Annandale	8	0	0	0	[illegible]
Ashfield	90	15	8	5	[illegible]
Auburn	12	4	0	0	[illegible]
Balmain	95	18	3	3	[illegible]
Botany North	6	2	0	0	[illegible]
Camperdown	28	3	1	1	[illegible]
Concord	4	1	1	1	[illegible]
Glebe	19	5	0	0	[illegible]
Granville	4	1	0	0	[illegible]
Hunter's Hill	10	0	0	0	[illegible]
Hurstville	6	2	0	0	[illegible]
Kogarah	12	1	0	0	[illegible]
Leichhardt	83	15	9	9	[illegible]
Manly	19	3	1	1	[illegible]
Marrickville	45	8	1	1	[illegible]
Mosman	30	5	3	3	[illegible]
Newtown	80	8	5	5	[illegible]
North Sydney	61	8	4	4	[illegible]
Paddington	220	8	5	5	[illegible]
Parramatta	27	5	3	3	[illegible]
Petersham	74	5	0	0	[illegible]
Randwick	23	3	0	0	[illegible]
Rockdale	10	2	0	0	[illegible]
Ryde	3	0	0	0	[illegible]
Strathfield	3	0	0	0	[illegible]
Waterloo	43	5	3	3	[illegible]
Waverley	23	7	0	0	[illegible]
Woollahra	6	1	0	0	[illegible]
Total	1459	163	53	50	[illegible]

It will thus be seen that 1459 samples of milk were taken by 29 municipalities, including the city. Of this number 163 were found to be adulterated, or 11 per cent. of the whole. In the previous year 1074 samples were taken by 24 councils, and the adulteration was 9.1 per cent. of the whole, so that last year two more councils were active, but the percentage of adulteration was higher. In 1906 the councils of North Sydney and Mosman took no samples. Last year North Sydney took 61 samples, and eight were found to be adulterated. Mosman secured 30 samples, of which five were found to be adulterated. As these two councils control a very large population their diligence in regard to securing for their residents pure milk has pleased the authorities very much.

But what is to be said of suburban councils which last year did not trouble whether their people got pure milk or not? What is to be said of aldermen who year in and year out fail to recognise the existence of the Health Act in relation to pure foods? The councils who failed to do their duty in this respect last year as far as milk is concerned, together with the populations over which they municipally preside, are as follows:—

Municipality.	Population.
Alexandria	10,100
Bexley	3,600
Botany	4,370
Burwood	7,860
Canterbury	4,900
Darlington	3,860
Drummoyne	4,900
Enfield	2,940
Erskineville	6,300
Lane Cove	2,08[illegible]
Marsfield	7[illegible]
Redfern	25,000
St. Peters	7,6[illegible]
Vaucluse	1,0[illegible]
Willoughby	7,200
	93,770

Thus nearly 100,000 people out of a total population of 500,000 do not know at the present time whether they are being supplied with pure milk or not.

Dr. Armstrong, the medical officer for health, yesterday remarked that the rise in the percentage of adulteration was, he thought, due to the laxity of some magistrates to impose heavy fines. "In two instances," said the doctor, "in which I took samples and prosecuted the vendors for selling adulterated milk, fines of 2s 6d were imposed. Certainly it was not in Sydney, but the milk was being distributed in Sydney. However," he added, "some of the stipendiary magistrates in this city impose very small fines compared with others, and unless there is uniformity in the severity of the punishment the vendors take advantage of this fact, and if laxity is shown all round. I believe that if heavy penalties were imposed in every case of adulteration, in less than six months nothing but pure milk would be obtainable in Sydney. That is, of course, providing that every council did its duty and took samples of milk at frequent intervals from the local vendors. As proof of the importance of this point I may mention that in my last annual report I stated that an episode occurred during the year which illustrated in respect of milk the general statement that the diminution of adulteration only occurred in those districts the local authorities of which were active in suppressing the practice. This was the prosecution by the Board of Health of the firm of Hillman and Co., large purveyors of milk, on eleven charges of selling adulterated milk. This firm, or its employees, had been frequently prosecuted by the city of Sydney and other local authorities in years previous to 1906, and in consequence there had been a marked improvement in the quality of the milk sold by it within the active districts, as shown by frequent analysis of samples of its milk from time to time. Acting on information, the State Department of Public Health on December 3 caused a number of samples to be taken simultaneously from the milk carts of their firm, chiefly in districts where the sampling of foods had been notoriously neglected, and as a result fourteen of the samples were found to have been watered to a degree varying from 2½ to 21½ per cent in the several samples. Eleven informations were laid against the firm by the department, and as a result fines to the total amount of £145 13s 6d were imposed."

COMPARISONS WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.

For the purpose of comparison, the following table shows the ascertained adulteration of milk in Sydney and suburbs during the past six years:—

Year.	Samples analysed.	Genuine.	Samples Adulterated.
1901	212	78	134
1902	317	106	[illegible]
1903	550	[illegible]	[illegible]
1904	680	541	1[illegible]
1905	1,740	1,524	216
1906	1,074	976	[illegible]
1907	1,459	1,299	163

CHAMBER OF MANUFACTURES.

The monthly meeting of the chamber was held at the offices, 136 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, on Monday, presided over by the president (Mr. J. G. Farleigh). The following motions, moved by Dr. Hardman, were carried:—

"That the retention of the 2d postage within the State of New South Wales is in direct opposition to the declared policy of the Commonwealth Government—that of encouragement of Australian industries."

"That it is an unfair penalisation of the people of New South Wales, and tends in no small degree to the prevention of the development of the national spirit in this State which should characterise our attitude to the Commonwealth."

"That this chamber communicate its feelings in the postal question to kindred bodies with a view to strong co-operative action to obtain redress."

"That a copy of the above resolutions be sent to each member of the Federal Parliament."

Attention was drawn to the Java and Singapore trade. Messrs. J. P. Franki, H. E. Pratten, C. A. L. Loney, and Dr. R. R. Hardman spoke on the question. The lastnamed submitted considerable important information, which he gave to the meeting, and strongly advocated co-operating with other bodies to retain the trade with the East so far as the service run by Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., was concerned. The secretary was instructed to write to the Premier, thanking him for his action in endeavouring to secure for New South Wales the printing of postage stamps.

On the motion of Mr. C. Banks [illegible] was adopted:—"That whereas under Federation we are one people with one destiny, it is desirable that uniform laws regulating the following matters should obtain in the whole of the States:—1. The slaughter and inspection of meat; 2. the quarantine regulations; 3. fruit inspection; 4. laws regulating the State interchange and export; 5. legislation regarding the adulteration of foods.

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THE ROYAL FARMS.

VISITED BY A "SYDNEY MAIL" WRITER.

ILLUSTRATED ARTICLE BY "MOIRA."

"SHOOTING THE BREAKERS".—TIRRANNA PICNIC RACES.—A VISIT TO CEYLON.—SWIMMING AT MOSMAN.—OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES.—WEATHER MAPS.

The "Sydney Mail" agricultural writer "Moira," who is at present on a tour in Great Britain, enjoyed the privilege of a visit to the King's farm at Windsor Castle last month. Although there is a rule preventing visitors with cameras from snap-shotting on the Royal farm, the manager, Mr. Tait, was at length persuaded to let "Moira's" case be an exception, and a set of splendid pictures is the result. Australians will be pleased to get a glance at the stock on the farm, which is world-famed, as for decades Royalty has displayed unceasing interest in the upbuilding of the celebrated herd. "Moira" makes valuable comparisons with Australian methods. The article and pictures are unique. "Moira" writes:—"The Great Park, in which the Royal farms are situated, lies southward from the town of Windsor. It is intersected by a number of roads, the principal of which is the Long Walk. This has a carriage drive in the centre and footpaths on each side, between a double row of elms, which form a noble avenue from the grand entrance to the castle and to the equestrian bronze statue of George III. on the top of Snow Hill, three miles distant. Several portions of the Park were converted into farm lands by George III. for experimental purposes. Only two of these remain, the Norfolk and Flemish farms, which, together with Shaw Farm, added by the late Prince Consort, now belong to his Majesty." These introductory remarks lead up to a long and interesting article, in which breeders will find many points of interest. There are no fewer than seventeen excellent pictures, not the least interesting being one which shows haystacks built up on cast-iron stands.

ILLUSTRATED SECTION.

SHOOTING THE BREAKERS AT NEWCASTLE.—A drawing by Fred. Leist.

THE HALFWAY HOUSE.—An illustrated article by G. A. Scarr on a visit to Ceylon.

KING EDWARD AS A STOCK-BREEDER: By "Moira," being an account of a visit to the Royal Farms, Windsor. With 17 pictures.

PERTH CUP.—An excellent picture of Post Town, winner of the W.A. T.C. Derby and Perth Cup.

TIRRANNA RACES.—The officials; four winners; and a group of spectators. Altogether a bright page.

A CASUAL GLANCE.—A review of topical events, humorously illustrated.

ENTERPRISE IN THE CENTRAL WEST.—Dalton Bros.' Flour Mills at Orange.

AMERICAN SURF-BATHERS.—Pictures showing how Americans revel in the sport that has become popular in Australia.

CHAMPION DRAUGHTS PLAYER.—Portrait of Mr. J. Drury.

PICTURESQUE QUEENSLAND.—A page of views from various country districts of the Northern State.

SWIMMING AT MOSMAN.—Groups of well-known swimmers who competed in the principal events.

CHAMPION RAILWAY GARDEN.—A picture of Clarence Station, Western line, awarded champion prize for its garden.

ILLUSTRATED STORY.—The story, "All on a Hunting Morning," is accompanied by a study by Fred. Leist.

THE WEATHER PROBLEM—SET OF EXPLANATORY MAPS.

A valuable feature of the "Sydney Mail" this week is a set of nine maps designed to instruct the public in their study of the weather charts which appear in the daily press. There is an article in which technical references are paraphrased into simplicity, and the contribution as a whole will remove any existing difficulties as to isobars, monsoonal depressions, and other meteorological terms or conditions that are Greek to many people.

ARTICLES, STORIES, ETC.

In the pastoral section the features are unusually attractive. "Lana" has been spying out the land about Tenterfield, and he tells in an interesting way of the potentialities of this New England belt, and describes its present conditions. The same writer supplies chatty notes on topical events. The Agricultural Section is full of good points. The Commonwealth's rural news for the week is very complete as a crisp budget. Special articles also appear. The Victorian and Queensland letters appear as usual. "Milroy" supplies reminiscences of Durham Court, and the late Charles Baldwin descants on the advantages of Circuit racing and the federation of country clubs. There are also English statistics, which cannot fail to interest horsebreeders, current news and anticipations. Edmund Morey's Pioneering Reminiscences are continued. "Shortslip" has a full account of the Third Test Match at Adelaide. There is gossip about the first grade matches in Sydney. "A REVIEW OF THE TEST MATCHES," by "Shortslip," is continued. "Thormanby," the English sporting writer, has entertaining articles on the "Prize Ring" and "Feats of Equine Endurance." On the Library Page are reviews of several new books.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ACCOUNTS with Plans of Distribution in the undermentioned Estates, showing dividends as specified, are now filed in the Office of the Registrar in Bankruptcy, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, for the inspection of persons interested; and notice is hereby given that such Accounts and Plans will be submitted to the Court for confirmation on FRIDAY, 31st January, 1908, at 11 a.m., if not previously objected to:—

EDWARD HORTON WISE, of 49 Bayswater-road, Darlinghurst, butcher (No. 16,508), a second account and plan of distribution showing payment of an equalising dividend of 4s (four shillings) in the £ on three claims proved since the filing of the last account, also a dividend of 11¾d (elevenpence three farthings) in the £ to all proved concurrent debts.

JOSEPH FRANCIS and WILLIAM ANSCHAU, trading as Auction Brokers, of Rooty Hill, farmers (No. 17,057), a first account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 3 5-16d (three pence five-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

FRANCISCO GIACENTO TAVERNA, of Liverpool-street, Sydney (No. 16,392) a third account and plan of distribution showing payment of an equalising dividend of 20s (twenty shillings) in the £ on two claims proved since the filing of the last account, and a balance of £24 18s carried forward to the credit of the estate.

NORMAN KALLIL, of Cootamundra, hawker (No. 16,681), a third account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 8d (eightpence) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

WILLIAM HENRY PATRICK CHERRY, of Fern-street, Randwick, public servant (No. 16,055), a fourth account and plan of distribution showing payment of the balance of one Crown claim in full and a dividend of 4s 4 13-16d (four shillings and fourpence thirteen-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

ADA MARY FOLEY, of Australia-road, Goulburn, boarding-house keeper (No. 16,103), a third account and second plan of distribution, showing payment of a dividend of 6s 2 11-16d (six shillings and twopence and eleven-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

WILLIAM BEAUMONT, of Arthursleigh, Burwood, gentleman (No. 12,666), a fourth account and second plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 1 2-3d (one penny and two-thirds of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

ALEXANDER JENKYNS, of 64 Flinders-street, Moore Park, mariner (No. 11,585), a third account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 5 3-4d (five shillings and threepence halfpenny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

GEORGE HAYES, of 184, James-street, Leichhardt, and Oxford-street, Sydney, butcher (No. 17,409), a first account and plan of distribution showing payment of one preferent claim in full and a dividend of 13s 9 9-16d (thirteen shillings and ninepence and nine-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.

Also account current in the undermentioned estate:—

WILLIAM EDMUND BARKER (No. 17,448), of 26 Rosser-street, Balmain, labourer.

WILLIAM HARRINGTON PALMER, Official Assignee.

47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, 16th January, 1908.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—Notice is hereby given that the Single Meeting of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the twenty-fourth day of February instant, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the twenty-first day of February instant. No. 17,606: Re W. H. SPEDDING, of 58 Clarence-street, Sydney. No. 17,614: Re WILLIAM NORRIS, of Mingelo, Hotelkeeper. No. 17,619: Re HARRY JACKSON, of Clissold-parade, Campsie, Railway Employee. F. H. SALUSBURY, Acting Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee. (4c-28)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of SIDNEY LANGDON, late of Wandama, Marrickville-road, Marrickville, in the State of New South Wales, Builder, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FREDERICK LAWRENCE LANGDON, one of the Executors named in the said Will, leave being reserved to JAMES WILSON LANGDON, of England, the other Executor named in the said Will, to come in and prove the same; and all notices may be served at and all persons (if any) having any claim against the Estate of the said deceased are requested to send in particulars of the same within the said fourteen days to the office of SLY and RUSSELL, Proctors for the said Executor, Australian Joint Stock Bank-chambers, 69 George-street, Sydney. Dated this 15th January, 1908.

IN the Intestate Estate of JOHN ARCHIBALD HENDERSON, late of S.S. Wingfield, Marine Engineer, deceased.—All persons having Claims against the above Estate are requested to forward the same, verified by affidavit, to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of January, 1908. T. W. GARRETT, Curator of the above Estate, Chancery-square, Sydney, 15th January, 1908.

IN the Intestate Estate of LACHLAN MACDONALD, late of the Barque Constance Craig, Seaman, deceased.—All persons having Claims against the above Estate are requested to forward the same, verified by affidavit, to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of January, 1908. T. W. GARRETT, Curator of the above Estate, Chancery-square, Sydney, 15th January, 1908.

IN the Intestate Estate of MATTHEW HENDERSON, late of S.S. Ouraka, Seaman, deceased.—All persons having Claims against the above Estate are requested to forward the same, verified by affidavit, to the undersigned on or before 29th day of January, 1908. T. W. GARRETT, Curator of the above Estate, Chancery-square, Sydney, 15th January, 1908.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROBERT BURROWES WRATHALL, late of Mittagong Station, near Yerong Creek, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that the Seventh Accounts in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the seventeenth day of February next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto, otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And notice is also hereby given that on the allowance by the Court of the said Accounts, Commission will be applied for on behalf of the Trustees. Dated this 13th day of January, 1908. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. HEATH and MITCHELMORE, Proctors, Wagga Wagga. GARLAND and SEABORN, 14 Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ADAM SMART, late of 289 Castlereagh-street, in the State of New South Wales, Miner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to THOMAS SHAW TURNER, the Executor named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the undermentioned address. THOMAS SHAW TURNER, Probate-street, North Sydney.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES SKIRROW EDMONDSON, late of Bryn Celyn, in the Parish of Llangoed, in the Island of Anglesea, Gentleman, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that the Twelfth Accounts in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the seventeenth day of February next, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they think fit object thereto, otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And notice is also hereby given that on the allowance by the Court of the said Accounts, Commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executors. Dated this 13th day of January, 1908. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. HEATH and MITCHELMORE, Proctors, Wagga Wagga. By GARLAND and SEABORN, 14 Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MATILDA MARY M'NICKLE, late of Gobbagombalin, near Wagga Wagga, in the State of New South Wales, Spinster, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ANDREW M'NICKLE, of Gobbagombalin aforesaid, Farmer and Grazier, the father of the said deceased. And Notice is also hereby given that application will be made that the usual Administration Bond may be dispensed with, or reduced; and all notices may be served at the office of, and all claims against the Estate of the said deceased are required to be rendered forthwith to the undersigned Proctor. W. M. J. WALSH, Proctor for the Applicant, Wagga Wagga. Agents, Messrs. M'DONELL and MOFFITT, Solicitors, George and Wynyard streets, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN SAMPSON, late of Werai, near Moss Vale, in the State of New South Wales, Gardener, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLES ALEXANDER FRASER and CHARLES CLARENCE GALE, the Executors named in the said Will, and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned, to whom all creditors are required to send particulars of their claims within the time mentioned. GALE and PAINE, Solicitors for Executors, Moss Vale.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of AGNES WALSHE, late of Kogarah, in the State of New South Wales, Confectioner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HENRY LEONARD and EMIAH LEONARD, the Executor and Executrix named in the said Will, and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. HENRY LEONARD, EMIAH LEONARD, Kensington-street, Kogarah.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of PETER McGRATH, late of Grafton, in the State of New South Wales, Boat Proprietor, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY McGRATH, the Executrix named in the said Will, and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. MARY McGRATH, Fitzroy-street, Grafton.

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CLEANSING THE CITY.

MELBOURNE V SYDNEY.

REPLY TO MR. NESBITT.

MELBOURNE, Tuesday.

Inquiries respecting the relative cost of keeping Melbourne and Sydney clean cities do not help the Sydney town clerk much in explaining why it costs so much more to keep Sydney, with its narrow streets, fairly presentable, than it does to show Melbourne's broad thoroughfares to much better advantage. The cost of cleansing Sydney, for instance, since 1901 shows a steady upward lift, yet it is known and acknowledged that the mileage of woodblocked streets in Sydney has been steadily increased. No amount of side explanation respecting the number of loads of garbage helps the position materially on the broad questions of expense and organised control. The simple fact remains that the work performed by the Melbourne authorities at a cost of £23,000 per annum includes everything connected with the cleansing of the city, as well as the street orderly system, the maintenance of city tips and destructor, gully cleansing, and the supervision of conveniences. Even adding the cleansing of lanes to the Sydney system, the area of surface to be dealt with by the Sydney authorities cannot be anything near that of Melbourne.

In computing the cost of cleansing at per ton, instead of per load, Mr. Nesbitt's figures as far as Melbourne is concerned are correct, but this still gives a marked difference in favour of Melbourne. Sydney's cost per ton is 8s 4.45d, and Melbourne's 7s 5.7d. The Melbourne load averages about 23cwt, while that in Sydney is equal to about 15cwt. Possibly the greater amount of travelling, owing to this difference in the capacity of the carts, makes for additional expense in Sydney. If so, it is surely reasonable to have larger carts, which may mean fewer men and certainly fewer trips. Mr. Nesbitt does not mention the male and female conveniences in his reply. In Melbourne these come under a separate heading, but they cost practically little beyond the water used. It was supposed that the Sydney conveniences almost, if not entirely, paid for themselves.

The horse-troughs here are privately owned, and are mostly in front of hotels, so they cost very little to maintain. There are not many horse-troughs in Sydney—not so many as there used to be—and possibly the council looks after them, but there would be very little cost of supervision, and the water cannot represent a large expense. Officers of the Melbourne City Council state that they get from 15 to 20 per cent. more work out of the employees than is the case in Sydney. Sydney cannot expect proper control if the officers responsible for the efficient working of a system have their hands tied. Broken discipline means a service the reverse of economical. There may, of course, be better discipline now than there used to be in Sydney, where insubordination and drunkenness have escaped proper punishment, because of aldermanic influence. The aldermen, however, personally denied the use of their influence on behalf of recalcitrant, idle, incompetent, or drunken men; so it is harder to understand here why even more money is to be required for street cleansing in 1908 than in past years.

Melbourne's daily round of cleansing is something like this: The city proper is cleansed daily, work being commenced at 4 a.m. The streets are first watered, then swept with heavy brooms, and the scavengers and their carts follow the broom-men. With the exception of a small portion of Flemington and Kensington, which, owing to the sparse population, is only cleaned up twice weekly, the remainder of the area controlled by the City Council is cleaned three times per week. In addition, the dustbins of residents are emptied thrice weekly. There is an early cleansing on Sunday mornings over the bridges and main arteries of traffic, so that the streets are specially clean and wholesome for the holy day. All the channels of the main streets in the business section are flushed from four to six times a day, and an army of orderly boys is employed in all the paved streets removing manure and other refuse from morning till as late as 8 p.m. in the summer. The conveniences are cleaned and disinfected daily by the uniformed attendants, and a special service is rendered at the markets and the cab and van stands of the city. There is no complaint in Melbourne against the administration of the cleansing department.

DISCUSSION IN THE HEALTH COMMITTEE.

A report by the chief inspector of the cleansing department on the work of cleansing the streets on Sundays formed the subject of a discussion in the health committee of the City Council yesterday.

Alderman Cocks said he had no desire to go in for unnecessary work on Sundays; but there were certain primitive duties which necessitated work all the year round. A lot of objectionable matter accumulated at street corners, and remained there all day. In order to remove this a sort of flying gang might be organised without incurring any heavy additional expense. At present these accumulations were unhealthy, and the city on a Sunday looked more like a country place, "the day after the fair."

Alderman M'Elhone agreed that the removal of such accumulations need not affect the staff, as the men, if compelled to work on Sunday, might be allowed off on other days. Both Oxford-street and George-street were in the same state on Sundays. School children should be taught not to throw paper or fruit peelings about the footpaths or streets.

The town clerk said if the suggestion were adopted it would involve Sunday labour, and that meant double pay.

Alderman M'Elhone did not see that this was necessary. This was not a question of labour or capital, but of the health and comfort of the citizens.

Alderman O'Sullivan said they would not get the work done without double pay. The unions were too strong. However, at the suggestion of the chairman he had much pleasure in moving that it be left in the hands of the town clerk and the chief inspector of the cleansing department to formulate a plan for dealing with the matter.

Alderman Lees said the question was to keep the city as clean as they could with the minimum amount of labour, especially Sunday labour. With a little extra vigilance on the part of those in charge of the squares, especially at the top of William-street, the streets could be kept perfectly clean.

Alderman Lawrence objected to Sunday labour.

The motion moved by Alderman O'Sullivan was seconded by Alderman Fitzgerald, and carried unanimously.

ODDFELLOWS.

WAGGA DISTRICT.

A PROFITABLE YEAR.

WAGGA, Wednesday.

The twelfth annual meeting of the Wagga District Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows was held at Coolamon last week. District Grandmaster Brother H. Davies, of Lockhart, presided, and delegates were present from the Loyal Southern Star Lodge, Wagga; Nil Desperandum, Junee; and Loyal Sovereign, Coolamon. The balance-sheet showed that the revenue to the funeral fund for the 12 months was £710 6s 6d, of which £221 6s 3d was interest on investments. The disbursements were £160, which left a profit of £550 16s 6d. The revenue of the management fund was £103 13s, and disbursements £89 16s 8d, leaving a profit of £14 17s, or a total profit for the year of £565 13s 10d.

Brother A. H. Mumford was elected district grandmaster for the ensuing year, and Brother W. T. Davies, of Junee, deputy grandmaster. Brother J. J. M'Grath, P.G.M., was elected delegate to the annual conference, and was also nominated for a seat on the board of management. A resolution was carried, dissenting from the proposed redistribution of lodges, and expressing the opinion that it should be left in abeyance pending a settlement of the question of the consolidation of funds. Another resolution was agreed to, favouring the consolidation as being in the best interests of the order.

YASS DISTRICT.

£70,000 SICK PAY IN FIVE YEARS.

YASS, Wednesday.

On Monday, speaking at a social gathering held under the auspices of the Pride of Yass Lodge, G.U.O.O.F., Brother A. A. Edwards, deputy grandmaster of the order in N.S.W., referred in complimentary terms to the progress of the lodge. During the last five years the society distributed in the State upwards of £70,000 in sick pay alone; and for the same period up to the end of 1906 had added £53,822 to the accumulated capital, which at that time amounted to £157,701. Referring to the quinquennial valuation report on the society, published recently by the Registrar of Friendly Societies, he said it was highly satisfactory to the society. It had been demonstrated thereby that the old graduated scale of contributions charged by the society were sufficient with a little adjustment; and very shortly it was expected, owing to the sound state of the society, to be able to announce a substantial reduction of the contributions of candidates, and those who had joined of recent years, under the new scales.

OUR EASTERN TRADE.

THE CASE FOR THE SHIPPERS.

MEMORIAL TO THE PREMIER.

UNANIMITY AMONG THE EXPORTERS.

An influential memorial, signed by all the representative millers, flour merchants, shippers, exporters, and others interested in the development of trade relations between Sydney and the Far East was yesterday afternoon presented to the Premier, Mr. Wade, requesting him to take early steps to prevent the destruction of the trade of this port by the State-subsidised steamship line of Victoria. The text of the petition was as follows:—

"The undersigned, who are keenly interested in the trade of this State with Java, Singapore, and other Eastern ports, desire to urge the importance of attention being at once given to the question of meeting the action of the Victorian State Government in its subsidising of Messrs. Currie and Co.'s line, with preference of space to Melbourne shippers. We would respectfully review the position as it is understood by us:—In June last a deputation of exporters waited upon the then Premier (Mr. Carruthers) and placed before him the following facts:—(a) That the New South Wales shipowners, in January, 1904, commenced a regular service in Sydney to and from Eastern ports, and after losing heavily at the start, ultimately succeeded in developing a trade which promises to be profitable. In this endeavour to exploit the Eastern trade, New South Wales exporters assisted at some temporary loss to themselves. (b) The trade having been established by New South Wales shipowners and exporters, Messrs. Currie and Co. this year secured a subsidy from the Victorian Government of £200 per steamer, the effect of which must be the subjugation of the interests of this State. Mr. Carruthers promised the deputation that the Government would subsidise the New South Wales line at least to the extent of the subsidy granted by the Victorian Government to Messrs. Currie and Co.

"In dealing with the representations of the deputation, and the promise of Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Swinburne, the Victorian State Minister for Agriculture, admitted that the arrangement with Messrs. Currie and Co. carried an undertaking on the part of the shipowners that they would give 'absolute preference to Melbourne cargo in regard to space.' In your reply to the deputation which waited upon you recently you stated that you desired to be furnished with instances of actual hardship to New South Wales shippers. We would respectfully point out that our reason for desiring to be placed at once upon terms at least equal to those of our Victorian competitors is that if we wait until we can produce instances of actual hardship, our trade will be irreparably injured. We desire only to proceed upon proper business principles. If there were no Victorian subsidy we would not ask for one for New South Wales; but we do, with all respect, urge that the interests of this State should not be sacrificed to those of Victoria without some effort being put forth by our people to prevent such sacrifice. We would put to you a hypothetical case: Assuming that a demand arises in Singapore next month for flour, produce, or any other commodity, inquiries would be received in Sydney and Melbourne for quotations c.i.f. Because of their subsidised steamers, Victorian exporters could be placed in a position to quote at much lower rates than those of unsubsidised New South Wales. The whole of the orders would go to Victoria, and thus New South Wales would be for the time shut out of the trade. This one transaction would go far to divert the trade to Victoria, and to dishearten the New South Wales shipowners. Take another case: To meet a demand for some commodity New South Wales and Victorian exporters may alike be prepared to ship at the same rates. The Victorian subsidy would enable the Currie line to make an additional effort to get supplies away more speedily, and thus secure to Victorian exporters the benefit of the market, while the absence of the subsidy would render it unprofitable to the Sydney shipowners to go to any special expense in such an endeavour. In either of these cases it would be of little use reporting to you the actual cases of hardship as the damage would be past repair, for the supremacy of Victoria having been once established it would be sure to remain.

"We are considerably alarmed at the prospect of the absolute loss of our trade to the East, as already the Sydney Shipping Company has intimated the possibility of its relinquishing the trade, and this would leave us at the mercy of the Victorian shipowners, and indeed of our Victorian competitors, who could buy up all the space in any one steamer, and thus bring about breaches of contract on our part with consignees who would almost certainly never again take the risk. We feel that we are doing right in approaching you as the head of the Government of this State, but if you so desire we shall be pleased to present a petition to the Legislative Assembly on the subject."

The signatures to the petition are as follows:—Brunton and Co., millers; M'Corquodale Bros., millers; Gillespie Bros. and Co., millers; J. Barre Johnston, merchant; Laycock, Son, and Nettleton, merchants; W. H. Short and Co., Gunnedah and Narrabri, millers; C. E. Waters and Co., Eastern produce merchants; Laughland, Mackay, and Co., Sydney and Singapore, Eastern produce merchants; Charles Regan, Tamworth, miller and merchant; Allan Ferguson and Co., fruit and produce shippers; Bowden Bros. and Co., merchants; W. and J. Lempriere, merchants; Geo. Fielder and Son, Tamworth, flour millers; Jno. Connell and Co., merchants; Boustead and Co., Sydney and Singapore, Eastern produce merchants; M. Campbell and Co., Muswellbrook, Scone, and Merriwa, merchants and millers; Scott, Henderson, and Co., merchants; George Wall, Custom-house agent; Aitken Bros., flour millers; Robert Little and Co., merchants; E. Davey and Sons, millers; Stratton and Sons, Cootamundra, millers; Tremain Bros., Bathurst, millers; Gillespie, M'Intosh, and Howard, Inverell, millers; British Imperial Oil Co., merchants; Wise Brothers, Jerilderie, Narrandera, and Sydney, millers; Queensland Meat Export and Agency Co., meat exporters; Robert Harper and Co., merchants; Parsons Bros. and Co., millers; Mungo Scott, millers; George G. Kiss, exporter of stock; John Byrnes, Bingara, miller and merchant; Worrall Bros., Manildra, millers; Mudgee Roller Milling Company, Mudgee, millers; Black and Sons, Grenfell and Molong, millers; Robert Dowling, Dalton, millers; Murrumbidgee Co-operative Milling Company, Wagga, millers; Chapman, Taylor, and Co., Young, millers; John Knox, Queanbeyan, flour millers; Young Co-operative Roller Flour Mills Company, Young, millers; Western Flour Milling Company, Mudgee, millers; J. Black and Sons, Molong, millers; Crago Bros., Yass, millers; Gillespie and Co., Narromine, millers; Great Western Milling Company, Millthorpe, millers; executors late John Burrows, Albury, millers; William Conolly, Goulburn, millers; Brierley and Brierley, incorporated accountants and attorneys; J. Wildridge and Sinclair, refrigerating engineers; Hardman Bros., biscuit manufacturers; Francis Crago and Sons, Newtown and Bathurst, millers; William Arnott, biscuit manufacturer.

COUNTRY HOSPITALS.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

At the annual meeting of the Bathurst Hospital, held at the Town Hall last night, the president (Mr. J. Rutherford) presiding, reports showed that the income for the year from all sources amounted to £1492 13s 4d, as against £1541 7s 3d for the previous year. The total expenditure was £1649 9s 6d, as against £1421 18s 8d for the past year. The following officers were elected for the year:—J. Rutherford, president; J. Simmons and W. J. M'Phillamy, vice-presidents; E. P. Freestone, treasurer; committee, Dr. W. F. Bassett, Messrs. C. Boyd, A. J. Brownlow, Rev. A. Clark, J. Donkin, A. J. Dowse, R. J. Edgell, W. Elliott, W. H. Gartrell, A. B. James, J. N. Gilmour, J. M'Phillamy, Hon. F. Lee, A. Rigby, H. Suttor, J. S. Smith, J. J. Sullivan, H. S. Wark, A. Tickler.

QUEANBEYAN, Tuesday.

The annual meeting of subscribers of the Queanbeyan Hospital was held on Monday afternoon. Mr. F. Campbell (president) presided. The report showed that the institution had had a very successful year. The number of patients treated was 78, being an increase of 17 on the previous year. During the year a number of improvements to the building had been effected, and the institution now compares favourably with towns having a far larger population. The balance-sheet showed the funds to be in credit £171, as against a debit of £27 last year. Officers elected were:—President, Mr. F. Campbell (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs. R. R. Hetherington and James Cunningham.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the subscribers of the Maitland Hospital was held at the institution this evening, Mr. W. J. Enright, vice-president, in the chair. A satisfactory report was presented by the committee. The report of the medical staff showed that 547 patients were treated during the year, being an excess of all former years. The death rate was 7.13. The treasurer's balance-sheet showed receipts £2064, expenditure £2289, leaving a debit balance of £224; but this, it was stated, was covered by the Government subsidy, since received. Contributions by patients amounted to £536. The trustees' account showed that £4593 8s 7d was invested. The election of a committee resulted as follows:—Messrs. W. J. Enright, J. W. Birkenhead, C. E. Crutch, W. M'Lauchlin, Rev. A. S. M'Cook, F. Merrmann, J. A. Kerr, George Russell, John Gillies, M.L.A., Chas. E. Wilks, P. O'Donnell, R. Hills, J. S. Vindin, and F. W. Thursby. Trustees: Messrs. John Gillies, Jas. F. Waller, and W. J. Enright. Auditors: Messrs. C. W. Wood and C. H. Prentice.

The Royal Farm, at Windsor.—This is an illustrated article by "Moira" in this week's "Sydney Mail," taken at the Royal Farm, Windsor. The pictures and letterpress are, perhaps, unique, as few writers or photographers are allowed to visit the farms.—Advt.

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COUNTRY NEWS.

BATHURST DISTRICT ODDFELLOWS.

COBAR, Wednesday.

Forty delegates of the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows, representing Bathurst district branches, arrived yesterday, to hold the annual district meeting at Cobar. A civic reception was accorded by the Mayor at the chambers. The principal business for discussion is the registrar's suggestion for consolidation of friendly societies' funds. The convention will last three days.

BLACKHEATH INCORPORATION.

LAWSON, Monday.

Very little interest was taken in the referendum, held on Saturday, to decide whether Blackheath should be incorporated or retained by the Blue Mountain Shire Council. The result of the poll was 58 for incorporation, and 86 against. Over 400 ballot papers were sent out.

ACETYLENE GAS EXPLOSION.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

Last night there was an explosion of acetylene gas at a merry-go-round in John-street. Fortunately the merry-go-round was just about stopping, and the children were promptly removed from the area of probable danger.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

ALBION PARK, Tuesday.

At yesterday's meeting of the Shellharbour Municipal Council, a protest was made against the removal of the office for the registration of births, marriages, and deaths from Albion Park. It was decided to ask the Chief Secretary to make arrangements for the continuation of the office.

It was resolved to call the attention of the Postmaster-General to the useless state of the telephone system at Albion Park. It is almost impossible to get on to Sydney from Albion Park. The council clerk had tried on eleven occasions to communicate with Sydney, without effect.

Great interest is being taken in the coming elections.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The City Council last night agreed to co-operate with the Bathurst Municipal Council in its endeavour to have the new system of keeping municipal accounts simplified. The council also agreed that the appointment of a health officer for the city should again be urged on the Department of Public Health.

GUNDAGAI, Wednesday.

Great interest is being taken in the forthcoming municipal elections, there being the largest number of candidates ever nominated. The nominations closed yesterday:—East Ward, A. Elworthy, F. Wilson, R. E. Jones, F. W. D. Martin. Middle Ward, R. T. Beatty, P. W. C. Palmer, E. Marshall, C. Cooper, J. J. Loomes, J. Walsh. West Ward, M. R. T. Janes, A. Hunt, J. Holt, J. M. Dodd, C. C. Worner, S. A. Smith, C. J. Fraser.

KIAMA, Wednesday.

At a meeting of the Gerringong Municipal Council a letter was read from the Bexley Council which asked co-operation in making representations to the Department of Public Works urging that every facility for obtaining information from the Lands Titles Office should be extended to municipal and shire councils without the proposed charge of 2s 6d for each search in the Registrar-General's office. The Gerringong Council agreed to co-operate. The council's valuer presented his report, which shows that the total unimproved value of the ratable land in the municipality is £175,050, and the improved value £327,780.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act the whole of the aldermen retire at the end of the current municipal year. It is understood that the following retiring aldermen will be candidates for re-election at the forthcoming election:—North Ward, the Mayor (Alderman Smith), Aldermen Christiansen and Marsden; West Ward, Aldermen Chapman, Beasley, and Thomas; South Ward, Alderman Whitfield; East Ward, Aldermen Rouse and Lowe. Alderman Webster, one of the retiring representatives for the South Ward, has decided to contest the North Ward. The other candidates mentioned are:—North Ward, Messrs. Perry and Dandman; South Ward, Messrs. O'Grady, Hodgkin, and Shaw; West Ward, Messrs. Davis and Hamon; East Ward, Messrs. Swain, Shepherd, and T. Thorn (selected by the Moorbank and Holdsworthy Ratepayers' and Progress Association).

POWER FROM RIVERS.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The council has been informed by the Works Department that it has been decided to appoint a special officer to take up the detail investigation of the streams flowing into the Nepean from the Blue Mountains as regards their suitableness for the development of power. When these streams have been dealt with, it is added, the investigation will be extended to take in the Shoalhaven River.

THE CHURCHES.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The commissioners of the Bishop of Goulburn have been notified from Cambridge University that the Rev. W. N. Gardner and the Rev. Gordon Hirst have passed the preliminary examination for holy orders. The examination was held in Goulburn last October.

TWEED HEADS, Wednesday.

On Sunday evening last the Rev. Cecil (Anglican) conducted his opening service. The Rev. Lewis (Presbyterian) also conducted his initial service.

ALBION PARK, Tuesday.

Water for household purposes is very short.

BERRIGAN, Wednesday.

Mr. William J. Greggery, of Strathwilliam estate, died last night in Melbourne from senile decay, aged 77. He leaves a widow and 11 children—six sons and five daughters. He was the oldest Justice of the Peace and pioneer of the district. He resided here 30 years, and was closely identified with all matters for the advancement of the district. When the railway was opened from Jerilderie to Berrigan he gave the land for the station and yards.

BLACKHEATH, Tuesday.

An organ recital was given in St. Aiden's Church of England last evening by Mr. Albert Fisher. There was a large congregation. A collection was taken up towards the cost of additions recently made to the organ. The snowstorm fair closed at St. Aiden's Parish Hall on Saturday evening. The gross proceeds were £73.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

A six-roomed wood and iron house in Piper-street, South Broken Hill, owned and occupied by a family named Radford, was destroyed by fire yesterday.

Cecilia Prendergast, whose convictions number over 50, to-day was sent to gaol for six months, under the Vagrancy Act.

The shade temperature to-day rose to 106 degrees official, 110 degrees unofficial.

Mr. Fred. North Smith, for 13 years secretary of the Success Lodge (Druids), resigned last night, and his wife was presented with an inscribed silver tea service.

Mr. John Sully, "father" of the local fire brigade, and the Government representative on the Fire Brigade Board, was last night, on the occasion of his birthday, presented by the brigade with a smokers' companion.

CLIFTON, Tuesday.

Deep regret is expressed in Clifton at the serious illness of Mr. C. G. Brown, one of the oldest officials at the South Clifton colliery. Mr. Brown has held the one position ever since the opening of the mine. He has always taken an active part in the public affairs of the district, being president of various progress associations, cricket clubs and debating societies. Up till Friday, he continued to discharge his duties at the colliery office, but was too ill to be at his post on Saturday, and this morning, accompanied by Dr. J. V. B. Dixon, he left for Prince Alfred Hospital, where he will be under Dr. M'Cormack's treatment.

COOMA, Wednesday.

At the instance of Mr. Austin Chapman, the Postmaster-General, has promised early consideration of the connection of the Monaro district with Sydney and Melbourne by telephone.

A local hotelkeeper has been fined 10s and costs at the police court for supplying liquor to an old-age pensioner on New Year's Eve. The defence was that the proprietor asked the pensioner to partake of some drink and cake, and that no charge had been made for the drink.

A band rotunda has been erected in Centennial Park, Cooma.

CONDOBOLIN, Wednesday.

Mrs. Margaret Shakespeare, wife of Alderman James William Shakespeare, died on Monday night, aged 36, and was buried yesterday.

Mr. J. J. Hearne, recently residing at Argyle, Brotheroney, was given a send-off on Monday night on leaving the district.

Mr. Donaldson, district works officer, is at present engaged in snagging the Lachlan River from Bumbuggin Creek, 22 miles east by road, to the river bridge at Condobolin.

EMMAVILLE, Wednesday.

The matter of having the local Public school buildings put in proper repair before the advent of winter still remains in abeyance. The school is in a bad state of repair, and requires immediate attention.

GULGONG, Wednesday.

A moonlight picnic was tendered to Miss Johns, at the People's Park, on Monday, by members of the Presbyterian Church. Miss Johns is leaving on Thursday. She was a teacher in the Sunday-school, a member of the choir, and an ardent worker in all church matters. The Rev. B. Morris presented her, on behalf of the teachers and choir, with a bag and fittings.

GUNDAGAI, Tuesday.

At Adjumbilly yesterday, Mr. P. Sullivan, the defeated Labour candidate at the recent Wynyard contest, was presented with a purse of sovereigns.

HAY, Wednesday.

To-day was the hottest day of the present summer, the official thermometer registering 111.

JUNEE, Monday.

At the annual meeting of the Volunteer Fire Brigade deep regret was expressed that a fire brigades' bill was not included in the Government programme, and Captain Struss stated that if the brigade was not assisted either by the Government or the underwriters it would be imperative to hand the plant to the trustees, and close down.

LAWSON, Monday.

A bazaar in aid of the Lawson Mechanics' Institute was opened by Councillor Craig on Friday afternoon, and closed on Saturday night, the takings amounting to over £40.

LISMORE, Wednesday.

There are general complaints respecting the inability to procure land and income tax return forms, specially those dealing with mortgage returns. The applicants say they cannot get replies from the department.

The annual meeting of the North Coast District Manchester Unity Order of Oddfellows was held to-day, 18 delegates being present. A highly satisfactory report was read. The finance fund shows a balance of £5425. The number of members good on the books on December 31 was 1469, showing a net gain for the year of 174. The net gain in funds for the year was £1148.

LITHGOW, Tuesday.

At a meeting of the local branch of the Political Labour League, the election of officers for the ensuing six months resulted in the re-election of Mr. W. Thomas as president, and Mr. E. Fitzallan as treasurer. Mr. G. C. Morris was elected vice-president, and Mr. D. Clyne secretary. For the annual conference of the Political Labour League, to be held in Sydney shortly, Mr. J. Dooley, M.L.A., was elected a delegate from the local league, and Mrs. Bethel as an alternate delegate. Mrs. Bethel was also appointed the women's delegate.

At a meeting held in Tarana to establish a local progress association, the following were chosen:—A. Collins, C. E. Richards, Chas. Delaney, jun., Chas. Moore, R. L. Webb, E. Ashe, R. W. Webb, W. Barrett, jun., E. Hoe, W. Harris, W. Kelk, and M. Thomas.

Constable Greenwood, giving evidence at the local police court to-day in the case of John Chadwick, charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and assaulting Greenwood while on duty at Mount Victoria, said things had got so rough at Mount Victoria lately that he intended to apply for an extra hand there. Chadwick was fined 5s or 24 hours for the drunkenness and disorderly conduct, 40s or one month for the language, and £3 or two months' hard labour for the assault.

Wednesday.

A valedictory smoke concert was tendered in the Town Hall by the recent employees of the Eskbank ironworks to Mr. C. H. Wilson, who for five years was foreman of the engineering department, and has severed his connection with the works, intending to leave Lithgow. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were presented with a handsome tea and coffee service suitably inscribed.

Since Sunday afternoon the water level at the reservoir has fallen a further 8in. The water superintendent states that the managers of the industries, as well as the Railway Department, have responded well to the request to limit the consumption of the town water as much as possible. The council, in view of the present experience, has resolved to take steps to secure water at Middle River for a supplementary future supply.

The blast furnace restarted yesterday morning, a fresh supply of coke having come to hand.

MULLUMBIMBY, Wednesday.

Mr. Arnott, P.M., held an inquiry on Tuesday last as to the origin of the fire which occurred at Haggerbaum's and M'Arthur's on Christmas Day. An open verdict was returned, the coroner expressing the opinion that the fire was either caused intentionally or was the result of gross carelessness on the part of someone.

On Thursday night Mr. Jarrett's house was entered by burglars. They ransacked a chest of drawers, but failed to find £20 that was secreted in another part of the room.

NOWRA, Tuesday.

Senior-sergeant Thomas Crawley has received notice of his promotion to Wilcannia as a sub-inspector.

ORANGE, Wednesday.

Several persons, including a clergyman, were fined yesterday for failing to destroy rabbits on their property.

PAMBULA, Wednesday.

Mr. H. H. Hungerford, solicitor, a resident here for 17 years, was tendered a send-off last night, prior to his departure for Murwillumbah. Many residents bore testimony to Mr. Hungerford's worth as a public man. He was the recipient of an illuminated address.

PARKES, Wednesday.

A public meeting was held last night to deal with various educational matters. A committee was appointed to arrange for the establishment of technical classes. It was resolved that steps be taken for the formation of a parents' association, and a subcommittee was appointed to prepare a prospectus and arrange a further meeting. A letter was read from the Public Instruction Department intimating its intention to erect two additional classrooms at the Public school. A resolution was unanimously carried urging the department to complete the whole of the proposed new building.

PEAK HILL, Wednesday.

At a meeting of the Tomingley Railway League, Mr. W. E. Tink was elected secretary. It was decided to approach the Minister with a view to having the suggested siding below the town brought half a mile further east, in order to secure a more suitable site, and to ask him to press forward the survey of the proposed deviation route.

Prior to their departure from Peak Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Taylor were presented by their employees with a silver kettle and a gold medal suitably inscribed.

QUEANBEYAN, Wednesday.

A large number of tourists are passing through the town en route to the many trout streams in the district. They are making the trip principally by motor cars. Mr. Justice Cheeke and Colonel Lyster, commandant of the Queensland forces, passed through on Monday en route to the Goodradigbee River for trout-fishing. They will also visit the Cotter and Gudgenby streams during their visit to the district.

RAYMOND TERRACE, Wednesday.

A largely attended meeting was held here on Monday night to protest against the tolls charged on the national ferries. A charge of 6d for foot passengers is now levied after 11 p.m.; formerly passengers were charged 1d. Mr. Carruthers, when Premier, promised a free toll as a part of the general scheme for the remission of taxation. The Government was strongly criticised for not abolishing the tolls. The member for the district was asked to bring the matter under the notice of the Premier and the Minister for Works.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

A successful garden fete and moonlight concert was held at Wonona, the grounds of Mr. A. Grainger, in aid of the Methodist Church mission work. The proceeds realised slightly over £20.

TAMWORTH, Tuesday.

Constable Spicer who has been transferred to Gunnedah as acting gaoler, received a presentation from his brother officials last night.

Wednesday.

Mr. P. G. Smith, jun., partner in the firm of Messrs. P. G. Smith and Co., received a presentation from the employees last evening on the eve of his marriage. An address of congratulation accompanied the presentation.

TWEED HEADS, Wednesday.

Yesterday Arthur Atken, well known as "Rocko," under remand from Sydney, charged with bigamy, was committed for trial. During the hearing of the case the prosecutrix, who appeared with a young child, fainted in court.

For the past two months the Brisbane train has been late nearly every day. Sometimes it has been over an hour behind. Owing to the state of the bar the brigantine Eliza Ann is still barbound.

WEE WAA, Tuesday.

Mr. Thomas Lochrin, sub-inspector of the permanent way at Wee Waa, died last night, after a few days' illness. He had been 28 years in the service, and was 53 years of age. His son has just been appointed stationmaster here.

WOLLONGONG, Tuesday.

Arthur Fee, a miner, residing at Balgownie, was committed for trial at the local police court yesterday on a charge of bigamy.

People living on the site required by the Electrolytic and Refining Company yesterday commenced removing their buildings to another site granted by the Government near Tom Thumb Lagoon.

A new morning and evening daily mail for the residents of Keira came into force yesterday.

YAMBULLA, Wednesday.

An epidemic of measles is now raging in the town. Old and young are affected, some severely.

Searchers for the body of a small boy named Frank Collins, who fell from a train near Totnes, England, found the lad watching a football match in a field adjoining the railway line. His only injuries were a slight scratch on the face and a cut finger.

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BIRTHS.

HARGRAVE.—January 11, at her residence, Burrendah, Wirinda, the wife of R. M. Hargrave—a son.

WATT.—December 23, 1907, at Goonal, near Moree, the wife of P. C. Watt, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

CLAXTON.—January 9, at Adelaide (suddenly), Frederick William, second son of the late Councillor Claxton, of Ballarat.

COLQUHOUN.—January 14, 1908, Mary, wife of the late George Colquhoun, at The Moorings, Redan-street, Mosman.

FREEMAN.—January 15, 1908, at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Florence Lily May, the beloved daughter of Ernest and Amy Freeman, of 28 Norton-street, Glebe, aged 3 years and 7 months.

LEVI.—January 15, at North Sydney, Minnie Levi, beloved wife of Aaron Levi, aged 50.

SMART.—January 14, 1908, at his late residence, 250 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, Adam Smart (late of Gulgong), aged 75.

SMITH.—January 8, John Smith, general manager, Sun Insurance Office, London. (By cable to Royle and Co.).

WHEALEY.—January 15, 1908, at his late residence, Wandeen, Park-avenue, Ashfield, William, the dearly loved husband of Annie Agnes Whealey, aged 63 years. Peace, perfect peace.

IN MEMORIAM.

BEWLEY.—In sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Kate Susan, who passed away January 16, 1905. Beloved by all who knew her. Inserted by her loving husband, F. J. Bewley. Though lost to sight, still to memory dear.

BEWLEY.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Kate S. Bewley, who departed this life January 16, 1905. Inserted by her affectionate son, T. H. Bewley.

BEWLEY.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life January 16, 1905. Inserted by her loving sons and daughters, Fred, Percy, Arthur, Fan, and Eva.

BROWN.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our mother, Maria Agusta Brown, who departed this life January 16, 1907. Inserted by her loving husband and daughter and son, Tottie, Oswald. R.I.P.

DONOVAN.—Sacred to the memory of Bridget Agnes Donovan, second daughter of late John Grace, Esq., Phoenix Park, Morpeth, N.S.W., who departed this life, at Annandale, January 16, 1901. May her soul rest in peace. Beloved mother of R. J. Donovan, 109 Quay-street, Sydney.

HART.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Thomas Felix Hart, who died January 16, 1903, at 25 Darghan-street, Lyndhurst Estate, Glebe. Inserted by his loving wife, Sarah Eliza Hart. Peace, perfect peace.

LOCKERIDGE.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who passed away January 16, 1899. Inserted by her loving husband and children. Sleep on, beloved.

MANNING.—In sad but loving memory of our dear son, Henry (Tom) Manning, who died January 16, 1900, aged 23 years. Good and gentle was his lifetime. Inserted by his loving parents, John and Emily Manning, and brothers Alf. and Fred.

McNEIL.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Martha, who died January 16, 1907. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving sister, Jessie Jackson.

McNEIL.—In loving memory of our dearly beloved friend, Martha, who died January 16, 1907. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving friends, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart.

RAPHAEL.—In loving memory of my dear husband, who departed this life January 16, 1900. Inserted by his wife, Jenny Raphael.

REYNOLDS.—In sad but loving remembrance of our dear brother, Sidney John Reynolds, who died through injuries accidentally received on January 16, 1901, aged 25 years and 9 months.

He has crossed death's gloomy valley,
Laid life's griefs and sorrows down,
That he with his loving Saviour
May bear no cross, but wear a crown.

Inserted by his loving sister and brother, Em. and Will. Shanley, Croydon.

SZARKA.—In sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Kate Szarka, and our dear mother, who died January 16, 1905. Inserted by her loving husband and children, George, Ellie, and Ted.

STOCKER.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our darling mother, who departed this life January 16, 1905, aged 38.

It's three sad years ago to-day
Since our dear mother passed away.
The trial was hard, the shock severe,
To part with one we loved so dear.

Inserted by her loving husband and daughters and mother.

TOLSON.—A tribute of love to the memory of dear Olive, who fell asleep January 16, 1907, aged 18 years and 10 months.

She was not meant for earth's rough trials,
Such fair flowers are Heaven's own.
Oh, may her loving spirit be
A guiding star to lead us home.

Inserted by T. A. Grew.

RETURN THANKS.

Mr. H. J. TEMPLETON and FAMILY return sincere THANKS to their many friends for letters, telegrams, cards, floral tributes, and other expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1908.

QUEENSLAND ELECTIONS.

The nominations for the Queensland elections, which take place on February 5, show a curious mixture of agreement and discord as between the Labour party and the Kidston Opposition. It is quite clear that the two are working together, and equally certain that each party is prepared to take any advantage of the other which the circumstances may offer. Thus there are over a score of seats in which the Kidston candidates are having a straight-out fight with the Government, and almost exactly the same number of seats in which Labour is the sole antagonist. Between the two parties, therefore, about three-fourths of the total number of seats for which contests will take place have been saved from overlapping. The number of members in the Queensland Assembly is 72, and eleven members have been returned unopposed, so that of the 61 remaining seats only fifteen or sixteen may be at the mercy of a minority vote. These seats are likely to give Mr. Philp his chances, for the reason that in them his foes are really playing the game of the Kilkenny cats. Thus at South Brisbane, a double-seated electorate, the candidature of Mr. Airey will probably insure the return of two Ministerialists, and the Labour people in that important section of the metropolis are consequently feeling very sore at the turn of events. It may be noted, however, that they are careful not to jeopardise the seats any further than they can help; and the two Ministerialists, who are in a strong position, are being fought by two men, not by two couples. A Labour candidate is practically hand in hand with a supporter of Mr. Kidston, and one of them may enjoy the sensation of running neck and neck with a Ministerialist for victory. But in other electorates where Labour considers it has the best chance there are Kidstonite intrusions, and later on we may hear more about the perfidy of erstwhile signers of the Labour platform.

The significant fact is that even if Mr. Kidston were to win every seat for which he has been able to run a candidate—counting in the two men returned unopposed who carry his colours—he would still fall of a majority. At the very best he cannot command more than half the House. He might soon obtain a working majority, as anything is possible in politics; but in straight-out fighting he has not been able to put more than a moiety of the necessary candidates into the field. Labour is a little better off, because it can show a larger number of candidates; but even Mr. Bowman would be hard pushed if he were able to obtain the impossible and win every seat contested under his colours. So much for all the protestations of Labour independence, and so much for Mr. Kidston's claims as a leader. Mr. Philp, on the other hand, is able to show a supporter for nearly every seat, and he is making a good fight at each point. The real crux of the situation lies with the farming constituencies, and the Darling Downs electorates may be said to hold the issues of victory or defeat largely in hand. The Morgan interests are being flogged there to serve Mr. Kidston, and the Downs farmers are being craftily told that they stand practically by themselves. The Kidston Government resigned on the question of the inclusion of farmers in the proposed Wages Board legislation, and now the idea seems to be to make fish of some and flesh of others. Mr. Kidston has not dared to tell the Downs farmers that they will be excluded from the Wages Board machinery if he is given another chance; but one of his candidates is hinting that something of the sort is possible. The Labour party will, of course, see that there are no exemptions should Mr. Kidston and Mr Bowman march upon the Treasury benches together; but it suits Mr. Kidston's book to allow the contrary to be suggested.

THE WHARF-LABOURERS' TROUBLE.

That the wharf-labourers' strike at Newcastle and Sydney remains only partially settled is a matter for general disappointment. Not that the dispute in its more restricted form involves any very great disturbance of the course of trade. The industrial area immediately affected is not a very extensive one, and there is apparently a very fair supply of non-union labour available. The interests of maritime workers, however, are so interlaced that a condition of strike existing in regard to one section may easily communicate itself to the whole body, embracing not only coal-lumpers, wharf-labourers, trimmers, and the other waterside hands, but the seamen also. Except the coal-miners themselves, perhaps no group of unions has it so completely in its power to deal such a paralysing blow at the whole industrial machinery of the Commonwealth. We have always a painful reminder of this in the great maritime strike of 1890. That strike, it is useful to recall just now, made history. Of it was born the Labour party, as we know it to-day. The declared mission of that Labour party was to seek the melioration of the workers' lot through political action, rather than through the savage arbitrament of the strike. Upwards of ten years of continuous political effort saw the accomplishment of what up to then was the most cherished of Labour dreams—an Arbitration Court was established. Seven years' practical experience of the working of that tribunal unhappily furnishes only another instance of the gap which exists in most human affairs between anticipation and realisation.

Into the merits of these latest disputes we do not purpose to enter. The wharf labourers may be quite justified in expecting an evening-up of the rates paid by the coastal companies, or they may not. Certain it is that such bullocking work as the occupation of wharf labourer involves is fairly entitled to the highest remuneration which the governing commercial conditions at the time will permit of. But that is not the point just now. What we are concerned to emphasise again is that the conditions under which the wharf labourers have been recently working are conditions imposed by the Arbitration Court, at the instigation of the wharf labourers themselves. The wharf labourers were among the first of the unions to obtain an award, and, as in the later instance of the shearers, it was an award which, taking it as a whole, conceded more to the men than they asked for. The Court did a like service for the coal lumpers. Yet only a few months back the coal-lumpers absolutely flouted the Court, and now the wharf labourers do the same. No one will be unreasonable enough to urge that an award once made must stand for ever. The conditions of industry are for ever changing, and an award may always be a fair subject of review. It may be so in the present instance. But what hope is there for the principle of arbitration if the aggrieved party, instead of invoking the Court's powers of review, wantonly disregards the Court altogether, and resorts to the old and discredited method of strike? Here is a case in which the employers declare themselves willing to have the matters in dispute again referred to the Court, and to abide by the Court's decision; and the men say, in effect, "A fig for your Court if we can carry the day more certainly by force." We may indulge the hope that even at this stage the resources of amicable negotiation are not exhausted and that a complete settlement satisfactory to both parties will be arrived at, even without further recourse to the Court. But if such voluntary settlement is not feasible, a very serious responsibility devolves upon the leaders of the men to make the legal position clear. More, it is the duty of the other unions to bring moral pressure to bear upon the wharf labourers, so as to secure obedience to the orders of the Court.

OUR EASTERN TRADE.

We are glad that Mr. Wade sees the necessity for taking seriously the discussion that has sprung up over the question of our Eastern trade, and that having gone thoroughly into the whole matter the Government will probably be prepared to grant the subsidies asked for. At the same time, in regard to details, Mr. Wade must exercise his own sound judgment, for he will have to justify any expenditure into which he is led. On general principles a subsidy is a thing to be looked on with suspicion. The best way not to drown is to learn to swim alone, and the same may be said of an industry. Yet the rescuer does not stop to preach this admirable doctrine to the man in the water, and in like manner there are times when it is good business and sound policy for the State to plunge in and keep afloat an industry that threatens to sink. As we have shown, in our opinion the present is such a case. We are inclined to think, also, that the fact that there is not very much doing just now, or likely to be doing for some little time, is rather an argument for than against the subsidy. As the seasons come round, and the markets vacillate, no doubt we shall again have plenty of flour to export, and frozen meat, and again find an ample outlet for our metals. But if we are discouraged by circumstances and lack the spirit to run neck to neck with our rivals, we shall find that just when we most want it the trade has slipped altogether from our grasp. The hard logic of the situation is that our rivals are heavily subsidised, and we must subsidise or be beaten.

That this is the view taken by shippers generally is evident from the petition of which we give the text this morning. The sting of such a document lies in its tail; that is to say, in the names of the people who back its claims with their signatures. A glance at the list shows that the millers, produce merchants, meat exporters, and others interested in existing and prospective trade with the East have reached a remarkable unanimity. The interests of those people are only so far identical with those of shipping firms who may be subsidised as concerns the carrying of their goods. If they thought this could be done to suit them by the Victorian line they would not go out of their way to enforce the claims of local lines. But they evidently realise the great danger in which they stand to lose both present and future trade. The facts they rehearse speak for themselves, and we need not repeat them here. But their last paragraph is worth special attention, as it illustrates in a practical way the manner in which the unfederal spirit might be applied, to our undoing. It is that of course which widens the argument for the subsidy. The sapping of our strong position as owners of the best port in the Pacific will begin by small degrees, but there is no saying where it will end. We must meet it at the start, fairly and temperately, we hope, but still it must be met. Those who would wrest from us Sydney's supremacy we must resist all the time.

A PUBLIC DANGER.

On Tuesday we pointed out the danger which exists in any restriction upon the supply of fresh milk to the metropolis. This had special reference to the difficulties experienced by city dairymen in providing feed for their cows, and to the consequent advance in the price of milk. If mothers cannot afford to pay the higher rates their children must suffer, and a question of public interest rises at once. But another danger exists in the laxity of some municipal authorities where the testing of the milk is concerned. When dairymen and milk-vendors have to struggle against drought and failing supplies, they are tempted to resort to adulteration, and at once a double handicap is placed upon the poor and the helpless. Children under the latter category are specially affected. In another column we give some pertinent facts in this connection; and the point of interest to begin with is that one half of the children of the metropolis, who should under ordinary conditions be suckled by their mothers, are dependent upon cow's milk for sustenance. This raises a very important issue at the existing juncture. The half-million souls who make up the population of Sydney are contained in forty-four municipalities; and of the latter only two-thirds seem to have taken the trouble to find out whether their ratepayers were receiving fair value for their money or sufficient nourishment for their nursing children. That is to say, "nearly 100,000 people out of a total population of 500,000 do not know at the present time whether they are being supplied with pure milk or not." The fifteen municipalities mentioned by us elsewhere in this issue, whose representatives do not do their duty in this respect, should remember that they are dealing with human lives, and not merely allowing a few score of dairymen to decide for themselves whether milk should be milk or milk and water.

The consolation, of course, remains that much good work is actually being done. Last year, as the return prepared by the Health Department shows, 1450 samples of milk were analysed under direction from 29 municipal councils, and 163 were found to be adulterated, or 11 per cent. of the whole. It somewhat discounts the position, however, to find that there has not been any real advance upon the previous year. It is true that five more municipalities were galvanised into activity, and that North Sydney and Mosman joined the ranks of the health vigilance committee of the metropolis, thus safeguarding a larger proportion of the population; but the actual ratio of adulteration in 1907 showed an increase. Only 9½ per cent. of the total number of samples taken in 1906 were found to be adulterated. The increase of activity has not been accompanied by greater thoroughness in inflicting punishment. As the area under scrutiny extends the percentage may still increase, because magistrates will not inflict sufficient penalties. Dr. Armstrong does not disguise his opinion on this point. In two instances in which vendors were prosecuted for selling adulterated milk, a fine of 2s 6d was imposed; and some of the stipendiary magistrates in the metropolis seem to err on the side of leniency, as if hoping that their gentleness would act as a curb upon the wrongdoers. Dr. Armstrong is very emphatic that if heavy penalties were imposed in every case of adulteration, and if the municipalities all did their duty, pure milk would be obtainable in Sydney in six months. This is certainly the goal to be kept in view, and if necessary Parliament must help us to reach it.

STATE RAILWAYS FOR CHINA.

It is a very significant piece of news that the Chinese Government has succeeded in getting control of the new Tientsin-Yangtsze railway, which from any point of view will be one of the most important lines in the Empire. This victory, for we may speak of it as such, represents the close of a long and intricate exhibition of diplomacy which, in one form or another, has been progressing for almost a decade. The line was first projected when "spheres of influence" and "concessions" promised to be the distinguishing features of the Chinese future. But of late another note has been coming into the concert of the Powers engaged in exploiting the Empire, and it is a note of distinctly Chinese music. As regards this particular line, during the last year or two various proposals have been made to substitute a Chinese combination for the Anglo-German syndicate which took the enterprise in hand after the Germans alone had failed to make headway. But it looked exceedingly unlikely that the concessionaries would leave the field. However, strange to say, the concession has been given up, and though the capital required for construction will be British and German, as at first proposed, it will be capital in loan form, and China will practically have the line in her own hands from the first.

A very important point of general policy lies at the back of these negotiations: the question, namely, whether Chinese railways are to belong to private exploiters of the magnificent opportunities she offers, or whether they are to belong to the Imperial Chinese Government. A decade ago the drift was all in favour of the first solution. Now the drift is all in favour of the second. It would be too much to say that a definite policy of State-owned railways has yet developed in the Chinese official mind, but the symptoms are very strong that it is about to do so; while there are not lacking experts to tell us that during the last few years Chinese astuteness has all been tending in this direction. What is certain is that the age of the concession is past, and the opportunity of China beginning. It is worth remembering also that in the case of every line so far built on the concession plan, China has reserved the right ultimately to assume sole control. Probably the new temper will in the end make things better rather than worse for the foreign investor. But in any case we can only admire this new evidence of China's awakening. There can be no two opinions as to the abstract policy of her owning her own lines; and hardly two opinions upon her ability to build and manage them herself—if not at the moment at any rate in the very near future. Chinese railways will be a splendid national asset before the half-century is reached, and they must be State-owned, for two special reasons—their strategic importance and the powerful part they must play in relief of local famine, which is generally afflicting one part or other of the Empire. Thirty years ago the iron horse in China had not been seen except for a brief hour within hail of Shanghai—and on the doomed site of the Shanghai railway station was built a temple to the Queen of Heaven. Now there are hardly less than 10,000 miles of rails working or under construction; and the Chinaman himself has learnt that the steel rail is the world's best civiliser. Certainly China is awake!

Portland Water Supply.—The attention of the Minister for Works was yesterday directed to a paragraph in the "Herald" stating that water for town use at Portland was now available by train from Wallerawang, but that the price was almost prohibitive, inasmuch as the charge was 3s a 100 gallons at the railway station, and a further charge of 3s was made for carting 100 gallons from the station to the town. Mr. Lee admitted that the charge was very high, and he hoped to see his way clear to reduce it. The department had to hire horses and carts to convey the water from the station to Portland, and had to pay top rates for this service. The cost of supplying Lithgow with water would not be nearly so heavy.

The City Land Tax.—The Lord Mayor, in responding to the toast of the "Municipal Institutions of the City and Suburbs" at a banquet given last night by the Mayor of Waverley, said that the form of government under which the suburbs would now work made the city authorities envious. While the requirements of those outside the city had been so well looked after, by some extraordinary oversight justice had not been done to the city. He referred to the land tax. Until the city was able to levy that tax the requirements of the citizens would not be half met.

Soldier Criticises Defence Policy.—The subject of national defence was introduced last night at a municipal function by Lieut.-Col. Onslow, M.L.A. He had, he said, devoted a great deal of his time to the question of defence, so that he could speak with some authority on the subject. The manner in which the Federal Parliament had dealt with this great national question, remarked the member for Waverley, had not only caused disappointment, but had provoked exasperation. Australians were threatened with a form of conscription which was against all British instincts.

University Extension Board.—The annual report of the University Extension Board contains some interesting data. The eleven courses of lectures given in New South Wales were successful. The board urges co-operation between country towns in arranging for extension lectures, and commends the example of Newcastle and Maitland. A course of lectures by Professor David Starr Jordan was the board's most ambitious effort, and "the intellectual profit of the whole community from the visit of Professor Jordan was gained without undue increase of expenditure." The development of the board's work thus begun will therefore continue. Respecting the establishment of a Queensland University the extension committee in Queensland reports that the enthusiasm displayed at the congress in November is being maintained, and financial support is being received. Encouraged by the success attained the board is continuing to invite distinguished professors from abroad. Mr. Henry Jones, M.A., Professor of Moral Philosophy in the University of Glasgow, has been asked to deliver a course in Sydney on literary and philosophical subjects next winter, and has arranged to do so.

Grievances Against the Kiosk.—The health committee of the City Council paid a visit to the new kiosk in Hyde Park yesterday, and on their meeting at the Town Hall afterwards they showed that they were by no means satisfied with the present arrangements. When certain suggested improvements came on for discussion, nearly all the grievances connected with the kiosk were aired. One alderman contended that it was in the wrong place. It should have been in the southern section of the park, where there was much greater traffic both morning and evening. Another alderman held that a great mistake had been made in granting a wine license to any building in a public park, and he had no hesitation in saying that if he could recall his vote on that matter he would do so. It was also complained that the lessee was using the kiosk for residential purposes, contrary to the intention of the council; that the kitchen was turned into a living room, and that a small room, which had been erected as a pantry, was used as a kitchen. A lively discussion ended in a resolution being recommended to council that the lessee be informed the use of the kiosk for residential purposes must be discontinued forthwith, and that the rooms must be used for the purposes for which they were erected.

"Notice to Artists."—The trustees of the National Art Gallery have issued a "notice to artists," signed by Mr. E. Du Faur, president, and Mr. G. V. F. Mann, secretary, dealing with the question of acquiring paintings of the less known and more remote scenery of the Commonwealth and New Zealand. The trustees during the next two years will consider the purchase of two or more works each year by artists resident in this part of the world at prices not exceeding £100 for each oil painting or sculpture, and not exceeding £75 for each water colour. No work previously exhibited will be considered eligible. Details as to the subjects, size of drawing, mounting, and methods of selection, delivery, and return, are duly quoted.

North Shore Bridge.—The subject of the North Shore Bridge was before the North Sydney Council on Tuesday night, when a letter was received from Mr. E. M. Clark, M.L.A., in which it was stated that the Premier had informed Mr. Clark that the question had not been lost sight of, and that the Cabinet had come to the conclusion that the matter was so large, and such enormous interests were involved, that the limited condition of an inquiry before the Public Works Committee would scarcely be sufficient. It was, therefore, proposed that the question should be inquired into by a Royal Commission consisting of two or three experts of high standing, which commission he hoped to see appointed early in the year. Mr. Clark suggested to the council that no time should be lost in bringing together the representative municipal, shire, and other interests, or so apprising them that everything would be prepared in the shape of evidence to support the work which was of so much national and local importance. The council decided to send copies of the letter to the various municipal and shire councils in the northern suburbs.

Darkest New South Wales.—"There are places in the interior of this country where children have never heard the name of Christ, and have only heard the name of God uttered as an oath," remarked Lady Renwick yesterday at the Bush Missionary Society's annual meeting. It is deplorable to think that there were children who, in the midst of a happy, enlightened land, were allowed to grow up the most awful savages. This was due in a great degree to the unconcern which existed in the mind of the public as to the conditions ruling in the far-out places, and who, if they knew the good work the bush missionary was doing, would not withhold the monetary assistance so necessary."

Policeman Up a Tree.—To circumvent the criminal it is necessary for the police to at times step off the beaten path, a literal illustration of which was yesterday furnished at the Central Police Court. The officer in question, Constable T. Lynch, of No. 2 station, unfolded a story which drew upon him remarks of commendation from the magistrate. Ridding Hyde Park of night prowlers, whose prey is the unsuspecting sleeper, was an item included in Constable Lynch's programme. Circumstances were favourable, so far as the ingredients of the little drama were concerned. The bait in the form of a sleeper was there, and near by a tree. Seizing the possibilities of the situation, the officer ascended the tree, where he clung with the tenacity of a native bear awaiting developments. In due course the prowler appeared, and after the manner of his kind cautiously "sniffed the air." He then fell to with gentle but expert fingers to explore the pockets of his prey. Just then, however, fate in the shape of a large policeman fell upon him. The weight of evidence being also against him, the thief's flimsy defence broke down, and he was remanded for sentence to enable previous records to be investigated.

"Sweated Musicians'" Mare's Nest.—The Sydney Labour Council, ever ardent in the pursuit of knowledge, will be doubtless pleased to learn that their search for "sweated musicians" at the Tivoli Theatre has merely roused the orchestra there employed to send in a letter of satisfied confidence to Mr. Harry Rickards, which letter, signed by Bert Rache, director, and the other players, is now before us. This letter includes the following statements:—"The wages that you pay us (excepting the musical director) are the wages fixed by the Professional Musicians' Union in the Arbitration Court, and which are at present filed there, as the legitimate wage, viz., £3 per week for six performances, with one matinee included, extra matinees to be paid at the rate of one-half night's salary. Hence we fail to see by what right the Sydney Labour Council interfere between you and us, as employer and employees. As is well known, you have paid the union wage ever since the union first formed." The letter concludes by referring to the fact that every member of the orchestra has been with Mr. Rickards for at least 18 months, whilst two have records of 12 and 14 years respectively, and expresses the pride of the orchestra in him as an employer.

Wansted and Water.—At the Water and Sewerage Board meeting yesterday the President (Mr. T. W. Keele) brought under the notice of the board certain paragraphs which had appeared in the "Herald" in reference to the desire of the Wansted people to obtain a supply of water from the board. Apparently an attempt was being made to blame him for the present position of affairs. As the board would recollect, when the application came before them he was inclined to accept the individual guarantees from the residents; but the board, as they had a perfect right to do, regarded the matter purely from a business point of view, and resolved that the ordinary practice which obtained in such cases should be followed, viz., that a joint and several guarantee should be furnished by the residents. This had not been forthcoming, and they had, therefore, no cause for complaint. In order, however, to remove the slightest suspicion of unfair treatment in the matter, he suggested that a standpipe be erected on the boundary of the estate from which water could be supplied, as had been done at Camden and other places. The board approved of the suggestion, on condition that the local council became responsible for the control of the standpipe and the amount of water taken out. Alderman Healey drew attention to the fact that the board did not in any such case charge for the water supplied, but only the interest on the cost of the pipes and maintenance expenses.

A Fatal Cruet.—Property which you cannot lose but which returns, as it were, automatically, to its owner, would appear to be an enviable possession. This is the happy lot of Mr. F. J. Jackson, of Darling Point. Mr. Jackson owns the one-time crack 10-tonner Violet. She was among those yachts recently visited by thieves while lying at their moorings. Among the articles taken was a cruet, which its owner apparently cannot lose. Incidentally it also brings ill-luck to the taker. It has been stolen thrice, and each time the thief has been caught and convicted. Mr. Jackson might consider the advantage of hiring his table-ware out to some city jeweller who is averse to putting his trust in the ordinary means of protection. Or he might simply leave it on the front door mat and discover which of his callers were honest. Unlucky opals have often figured in real life romances, and the magic amulet or talisman usually takes the form of some jewel; but surely this is the first time on record in which such virtue has come to reside in the harmless and necessary domestic cruet.

Board of Health.—The weekly meeting of the Board of Health was held on Tuesday, and was presided over by Mr. Fosbery, M.L.C. A return was submitted showing that during the week ended 11th inst 1474 rats and 762 mice had been destroyed. Of 541 rats and 293 mice microscopically examined, 12 rats were found to be plague-infected. The return of cattle slaughtered during December, 1907, under inspection of the Board of Health, was as under:—(1) At Sydney abattoir: Beeves, 5881; calves, 1634; pigs, 6759; sheep, 185,169. Total slaughtered, 199,393. Condemned: Beeves, 70 (tuberculosis 67, unfit for food 3); Calves, 84 (unfit for food); pigs, 141 (tuberculosis 125, swine fever 1, extravasation 6, abscesses 2, inflammation 2, pneumonia 2, hydatids 1, unfit for food 2); sheep, 58 (unfit for food). Total condemned, 353. (2) At 33 country and suburban private slaughterhouses: Beeves, 4266; calves, 146; pigs, 2251; sheep, 168,636. Total slaughtered, 175,299. Condemned: Beeves, 45 (tuberculosis 42, unfit for food 3); calves, 9 (unfit for food); pigs, 51 (tuberculosis 35, unfit for food 15, swine fever 1); sheep, 618 (unfit for food). Total condemned, 723. (3) Bacon factories in country towns: At Bomaderry, slaughtered 411, condemned 16 (tuberculosis); at Byron Bay, slaughtered 1200, condemned 68 (tuberculosis); at Lismore, slaughtered 452, condemned 15 (tuberculosis). Total slaughtered, 2063; total condemned, 99 (tuberculosis).

Letters have been received by the hon. secretary of the flag exchange committee of the British Empire League, intimating that return flags will be forwarded from Kelso, Scotland, Stockton, Durham, and Woolwich-on-Thames. Flags are to be forwarded from New South Wales schools at Paddington and Richmond, and one has arrived, with a number of photographs of the city, from the Mayor of Salisbury, Wilts. The hon. secretary hopes to receive a flag for the Public school at Annandale, the gift of the Laird of Annandale, Scotland, Mr. J. J. Hope Johnston.

The steamer Kookooburra will leave Fort Macquarie at 10 a.m., visiting the beauty spots of the harbour, Lane Cove, and Parramatta rivers, landing excursionists at Correy's Gardens for lunch, and returning to the city about 5 o'clock.

"R.A." suggests that the widening of the New South Head-road at Rushcutter Bay should be accompanied by a similar work at the Darling Point corner opposite, where it is impossible for a tram and another vehicle to pass.

NEW DEFENCE SCHEME.

THE SOLDIERS' OPINIONS.

MR. REID'S CRITICISM.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Replying to the remarks of the leader of the Federal Opposition yesterday on the Government's action in inviting criticism from the rank and file, Mr. Deakin said to-day:—

"Our proposals multiply the number of citizens who will qualify for service to their country in the hour of need. What critics are more competent to examine them in detail, and express an opinion, than those who are now discharging military duties? As electors they must ultimately decide our defence policy."

Regarding Mr. Reid's side comment about the Inspector-General, Mr. Deakin said:—

"The Opposition leader's reflections upon officers, and particularly Major-General Hoad, were uncalled for and unwarranted." More progress had been made towards bringing the forces to an efficient condition under Major-General Hoad than had been accomplished at any similar period since federation. That officer was not only in sympathy and in touch with the whole of the forces throughout Australia, but was specially competent to supervise the work of organisation now proceeding, and about to be extended.

IF THE DAY OF TRIAL COMES.

The Postmaster-General, Mr. Mauger, told the Flemington branch of the Australian Natives' Association to-night, that it was the firm intention of the Prime Minister, backed up by every member of the Cabinet, to evolve from his magnificent speech in Parliament, a foundation for a defence scheme that would be effective and thorough, and a true standby for themselves and Australia, if the day of trial should come.

DEVOURING GRASSHOPPERS.

ATTACK EVERYTHING GREEN.

INVASION OF SINGLETON.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

The grasshopper pest is causing wholesale destruction to grass and crops in all parts of the district. Those hatched about five weeks ago are now getting small wings, and a second instalment no bigger than grains of shot have since been added to the ranks, until the ground is black with them. Couch grass, corn, and melon vines appear to be their favourite fodder, but in the absence of these they will tackle anything, even the stinking castor oil bush. At White's Falls they are trimming the corn and lucerne, also the melon and grape vines. Cornstalks are attacked at the bottom, and when perforated the stalk falls to the ground, and the whole is quickly devoured by myriads of the pest. The leaves are eaten off the melon vines right up to the thick stalk attached to the melon, and the leaves of the grape vines are also consumed. All the leaves are taken off the lucerne, also the green bark on the stems, leaving them white. The same distressing conditions exist at Maison Dieu. At one part the grasshoppers lay inches deep. A farmer at Dight's Crossing went to look at some melons, and saw nothing but stalks of vines and whole melons on the ground. He cut some of the melons to see if they were ripe, and found they were not. He went to another part of the field to have a look at a second patch of melons, and when he returned discovered that the grasshoppers in his absence of a few minutes had eaten the inside out of the melons which he had cut.

Having eaten bare all vegetation in the vicinity of the town, the insects are invading the streets and dwelling places to-day.

The pest has now been in the district for several months, and no sooner does one swarm disappear than another takes its place. Some good falls of rain occurred in November and December, and the grass showed a nice shoot; but it was only temporary. The grasshoppers have eaten every blade. The onslaught on the lucerne crop is serious, as most of the hay in this district is made from lucerne. With no grass and the destruction of the principal fodder crop, together with the loss of corn, pumpkins, potatoes, cabbages, and grapes, farmers and dairymen are being hit all round, and prospects for the coming winter are gloomy.

TO-DAY.

Liberal and Reform Association: Varella-chambers, Pitt-street, 4.
Mosman Progress Association, 8.
Employers' Federation of New South Wales: 117 Pitt-street, 7.30.
Women's Organising Committee: Trades Hall, 8.
Wright's Eureka Gas Cooking: 10 Loftus-street, 2.30.
Manly Borough Band: Hyde Park, 8.
Newtown Brass Band: Newtown Bridge, 8.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "The Girls of Gottenberg," 8.
Theatre Royal: "Blue Bell in Fairyland," 2; "The Scarlet Pimpernel," 8.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 8.
Criterion Theatre: "When Knights Were Bold," 8.
Palace Theatre: "Cinderella," 8.
National Amphitheatre: Vaudeville, 7.45.
Oxford Theatre: "Robinson Crusoe," 2 and 8.
Clay's Vaudeville: Town Hall, Parramatta, 8.
Haymarket Hippodrome, 8.
Zoological Gardens, 10.
Victoria Hall: Picturescope, 8.
Queen's Hall: London Bio-Tableaux, 8.
Wonderland City: Bondi, 10.
The Figure Eight: Coogee, 2.30.
Butterfly Theatre: Coogee, 8.15.
Glaciarium: West's Pictures, 8.
Buckjumping Show: King-street, Newtown, 8.
Standard Theatre: "Yeomen of the Guard," 8.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Edward Ambrose Smith, aged 50, died at Wellington yesterday afternoon from the effects of an accident on Monday. He had been unconscious from the time of the accident till death, which was due to concussion and hemorrhage of the brain. The deceased was a son of the late Mr. John Smith, M.L.C., and a brother of Major Smith, of Nandillyan, Mr. Lance Smith, of Boree, and Mr. Jago Smith, of Bathurst. Deceased was also a brother of Mrs. C. H. Barton, wife of the member for the district, and Mrs. W. C. a'Beckett, of Wellington. His sons, Norman and Bede, are international footballers. He leaves a widow, five sons, and one daughter.

The Rev. Alfred Yarnold, rector of St. John's, Ashfield, leaves on a six months' trip to England by the mail steamer Grosser Kurfurst, on February 22. He has almost completed 30 years' service in the Church in this country, and is now taking a rest upon urgent medical advice. He will be accompanied by his eldest daughter.

Mr. C. Delohery, who for the past year has held the position of chairman of the Public Service Board, has been elected to act in the same capacity for a further period of six months.

Mr. W. Mitchell, who has been in the service of the Queensland Insurance Company for the past 20 years, was on Wednesday presented at the head office, Bridge-street, with a gold watch, on behalf of the members of the staff, suitably inscribed. The general manager, Mr. Felton, made the presentation. Mr. Mitchell is leaving the service to enter into partnership with Mr. J. J. Robinson, insurance broker.

Mr. J. G. S. Corns, goods manager on the New South Wales railways, died yesterday at his residence after a short illness. Mr. Corns, when 15 years of age, joined the clerical staff of the London and North-western Railway Company, and in time became rolling-stock superintendent of the entire system. At the invitation of the late Mr. E. M. G. Eddy he came to Sydney in 1889, when he was placed in charge of the metropolitan passenger and general traffic work. A year later Mr. Corns was made goods manager for Sydney and district; and in 1897 he succeeded Mr. J. Harper as goods manager for the whole railway service. Deceased was about 64 years of age.

A banquet, commemorative of the termination of the Municipalities Act, 1897, and complimentary to the officers and staff of the Waverley Municipal Council, was given last night by Alderman R. G. Watkins (Mayor). A large number, including Messrs. C. Lee (Minister for Works), O. W. Oakes (hon. Minister), the Lord Mayor (Ald. Hughes), and Aldermen J. C. M'Dougall (Mayor of Randwick), accepted Mr. Watkins's invitation. A long toast list was honoured.

Captain P. N. Buckley, recently appointed Director of Works in the Department of the Chief of Ordnance, has been promoted to the honorary rank of major, while holding that position.

The death occurred yesterday in his 74th year of Dr. James Barrett, one of the oldest and most-widely known medical men of Melbourne. He had been in failing health for about a year. Of his family of seven sons and three daughters four are doctors, viz., Dr. J. W. Barrett, Dr. Edgar Barrett, and Dr. Edith Barrett (of Melbourne), and Dr. J. E. Barrett, of Branxholme. Dr. J. W. Barrett and Dr. Edgar Barrett were both cricketers of note, the former having been a member of an Australian Eleven in England.

The members of the New South Wales Public Works Committee who have been visiting Adelaide left yesterday by the Melbourne express.

THE PLAGUE.

INFECTED RATS AT PETERSHAM.

CONDITION OF PATIENTS.

The secretary of the Board of Health (Mr. King) stated yesterday that no plague rats had so far been discovered in the premises where the third plague patient had been employed, but the search would be continued.

Several plague rats have been found in premises at Petersham not far removed from the produce store at Marrickville to which the first case of infection was traced. The board regards the position as a serious one, and is calling for a systematic effort on the part of the authorities and the residents to exterminate the rats. Both the Marrickville and Petersham councils are sparing no effort to prevent the infection from spreading.

The three patients at the Coast Hospital are making satisfactory progress. The last case appears to be one of a mild form.

BOARD OF HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

Mr. G. H. King, of the Board of Health, addressed a letter to the Town Clerk (Mr. T. H. Nesbitt) yesterday, stating that he had been directed to convey the following considerations, which emanated from the board's discussion at its meeting on the 14th inst:—

The recrudescence of the disease being at the usual season is not such as to justify alarm, but as the prospect is always indefinite it is desirable to spare no effort to conserve the public safety. The board is, of course, aware of the regular efforts being made by your council, but suggests that the situation is such as to justify special measures. Believing that the most practical protection is afforded by prevention of rat infestation of premises, the board urges upon the council the desirability of stimulating the citizens to immediately take the most active measures possible in this direction. The community at large has been too often instructed by circular and otherwise to be unaware of the danger attaching to rats, and the public utterances of the Lord Mayor and of this department have called attention to the present potentialities. This warning will be adequate for the majority of the citizens, and much good will be effected; but the council would doubtless recognise from its own experience that it is necessary to influence the obstinate and the careless, whose indifference is a menace to everyone.

For this reason the board suggests that arrangements be made for visitation by inspectors of all premises in what may be called the danger zone, i.e., roughly between Elizabeth-street and Darling Harbour, from Circular Quay to the railway station—in order that information may be obtained, skilled instructions given, and otherwise every endeavour made to secure the precautions necessary to fend off an epidemic. The precise details could be adjusted by the city health officer. The board is willing to afford assistance in this connection if the council so desires.

The health committee of the council recommended to council that the town clerk and city health officer be instructed to take such action as might be necessary.

STAMP PRINTING.

MR. WADE'S CHALLENGE.

The Premier is by no means impressed with the rejoinder of the Minister for Trade and Customs on the subject of the concentration of stamp printing in Melbourne.

In Mr. Wade's opinion, Mr. Chapman, though professing to answer the figures quoted as to the excessive cost of the steel plate process for printing postage stamps, had carefully avoided dealing with the real matter at issue. "I can only repeat," continued Mr. Wade, "that if the Commonwealth representatives could challenge the figures I quoted last week they would do so without further delay. Mr. Chapman suggests that the reason for abandoning the proposal to print the stamps in Melbourne two years ago was because the Government Printers had 'climbed down' and reduced their charges. I have made inquiries from Mr. Gullick, and find that though at one time the charge made was 7½d a 1000, it was reduced two years ago to 5d a 1000, as the result of negotiations with De La Rue and Co. for a reduction in the cost of paper supplied for stamp printing. Correspondence on this subject had been going on for some months prior to the Federal Government indicating a desire to concentrate the work of stamp printing in Melbourne, and, as soon as the new contract was arranged whereby we obtained the paper at a reduced cost, the price charged for printing stamps was at once reduced to 5d. That reduction was made entirely irrespective of anything said or done by Mr. Chapman or the Federal Government. There is no need to follow Mr. Chapman in his comparison of prices between Sydney and Adelaide for other descriptions of printing. It is simply a red-herring on the trail. The question now to be decided is whether the public at large will submit to the proposal to concentrate the printing of all stamps in Melbourne."

"THE DEVIL'S OWN."

AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER OF FORTUNE.

PETER LALOR'S GRANDSON.

A grandson of Peter Lalor, who led the insurgent diggers of Ballarat in their fight with the military at the Eureka Stockade 56 years ago, recently returned to Melbourne after many years' absence, to see his father, Dr. Lalor, who was on his deathbed. When he received the message announcing his father's serious illness, he was ill of malaria in a military hospital in Algiers, being a corporal in the "Legion Etrangere," or "Regiment du Diable," as the French army knows it.

"The Foreign Legion," said Mr. Lalor, when interviewed by the Melbourne "Argus," "is like no other force on earth. It is made up of all sorts; the prince stands shoulder to shoulder with the anarchist; looking down the ranks one sees Russians, Germans, Frenchmen, Englishmen—even Chinamen. There were two of these in the Legion, and five Englishmen. One of the Englishmen was a major in a swagger regiment, who had come to grief at Monte Carlo. I was his superior officer. I was a corporal; he a private. He was a fine chap.

"Peter of Servia was one of the Legion. So was that French engineer who went out to the Boer war as engineer to Cronje. And there was a German prince, a cousin to the Kaiser. Also there was the scum of seven nations in the way of the larger crimes. It was considered bad form to ask a fellow where he had last come from in the Legion. We had one man who had been sentenced to death for his share in the Black Sea mutiny; another had killed his man in a duel in Germany; another said he had killed his in South America, but it's so cheap to kill your man there that it must have been something worse than that. I know South America, because I helped a revolution there, and had to bolt afterwards to the British consul when things got to the shooting—against a wall—stage. Yes, as you say, Britishers have a habit of going and raising Cain in a foreigner's country and then invoking the protection of the Union Jack.

"But to the Legion! It was fine. One's companions were the best fellows on earth, and, while the pay was only ½d a day, you could buy wine at ½d a bottle and tobacco at 4½d lb. And they were young men, for the most part, of refinement and education. Men who had fallen out in the thousand ways open to man; sent down from every big university in Europe. They were the material for soldiers; hardly a man of them had anything to live for. You see, they had to be like that, because ½d a day is not enough to tempt an ordinary criminal to hard work. All we had in the criminal line were the bigger sorts.

"Yes—hard work. Besides our firing practice we marched between 100 and 125 kilometres a week—somewhere about 70 miles—through the hot Algerian sunlight, with about 80lb of kit on our backs. The discipline was severe, and the routine as I have described. And yet, of course, with a force like that the discipline was necessary. They used to take a man to the hospital pretty well every night. A Frenchman would ask a German 'What about Austerlitz?' and the German would reply, 'What about Sedan?' Then the trouble would begin. It would be fought with anything handy—from a bayonet to a foot. The French don't go in much for sharp things; their feet are good enough for them. Then, again, duelling was permitted, and at the great majority of duels one man went out. And the anniversary of the taking of the Bastille lasted for a week.

"And then the Legion has its honours. It is one of four French regiments which may wear the Legion of Honour on its colours. The names of its victories ranged from the Crimea to China, from the Cameroons to Mexico, from Solferino to Dahomy. The Mexican exploit was the greatest. About 60 men covered the retreat of the French before 12,000 Mexicans for 24 hours. At the end of that time the force consisted of two wounded men and one unpunctured drummer-boy. The latter went out with a flag of truce, and arranged for the withdrawal of the garrison with all the honours of war. So the two wounded men and the boy marched out.

"No, I didn't see much fighting in Algeria. At Ramasan—or Arumdum, as the Arabs call it—they get a little frivolous, and we had a few skirmishes here and there last year.

"Will I go back? I don't know. It's most extraordinary to be living a civilised life here, with orderly little gardens outside and a neat little room to sleep in. The Legion calls—how does it go? 'Once a morphia maniac always a morphia maniac.' Well, the Legion is like that. Once a Legionaire always a Legionaire. At present I am tied. But it's a grand life soldiering, and a grand regiment the Legion Etrangere—the Devil's Own."

RIOT AT CLIFTON.

STRUGGLE WITH THE POLICE.

REVOLVERS USED.

CLIFTON, Wednesday.

One of the most disgraceful scenes ever witnessed in this township occurred in the vicinity of the Scarborough Hotel last night.

A push of miners, recent arrivals in this district, had been drinking at the hotel early in the evening. They became very violent, threatening to wreck the building. The police were absent searching for an offender on other charges. About 8 o'clock a number of the men armed themselves with stones, stood outside the hotel, and commenced a fusillade. They entered the bar and threw stones at the bottles on the shelves. When their supply of stones was exhausted they picked up glasses from the counter and threw them in all directions. The floor and the counter was quickly covered with broken glass. The barmen were compelled to retreat to the private portion of the premises. The doors to the private entrances were closed to prevent the push gaining access.

The next attack was made from the street. Stones were hurled through the large plate-glass windows fronting the main street, completely shattering them. A meeting was being held in one of the large rooms in the building when those assembled, hearing what was going on, made an attempt to get out to obtain police assistance, but, owing to the continued fusillade from the street they could not get through the front portion of the house.

Finally, two justices of the peace, who were at the meeting, made their way down the back stairs of the hotel, and thence round to the railway station to wire for additional police. Just at this moment Senior-constable Tomkins, First-class Constable Connor, and Constable Rhodes appeared on the scene, and arrested one of the rioters, who was in the act of throwing a large stone. Seeing that the police had arrived, and that one of their number had been arrested, the others attempted to make off.

First-class Constable Connor drew his revolver, and called upon them to stand or he would fire. Senior-constable Tomkins, by cutting across a vacant piece of land, got ahead of the men, and, drawing his revolver, threatened to shoot any who attempted to pass. In the meantime Constable Connor discharged his revolver, which was the means of bringing Senior-constable Noble to their assistance, but before his arrival Constables Connor and Tomkins had secured two of the ringleaders, and were struggling with them. Senior-constable Noble rushed in and assisted in handcuffing the two men.

The three police received injuries during the struggle. Constable Tomkins was kicked on the knee and in the face. He was also struck from behind with a stone. Constable Connor was kicked on the leg and in the groin. His hands also were severely bruised. Constable Noble's leg was injured by a fall while struggling with one of the prisoners.

The three men were lodged in the Clifton lockup. Senior Constables Noble and Tomkins, First-class Constable Connor, and Constables Dwyer and Gibbons spent the night in searching for another offender, and also kept watch to see that the riot was not renewed. It is understood that other arrests will be made in connection with the disturbance, and that all the offenders will be brought before the Clifton Court on Thursday.

SALVATION BY CASH.

REV. GEORGE CAMPBELL SPEAKS OUT.

"YOU MAY PRAY YOURSELVES HOARSE."

In speaking to the annual report of the Bush Missionary Society, at a meeting held yesterday, when it was indicated that owing to the lack of public support the work of the society was being seriously retarded, the Rev. George Campbell reminded his hearers that it was difficult to understand when they came into contact with such a situation where their responsibility ended as individuals.

Why people did not support such a society was a problem, but they must lay to their minds the fact that individual responsibility devolved upon them. They were only too ready to burden the society with a responsibility for which it existed, forgetting that that society had no existence apart from their personal interest. While he did not undervalue the efficacy of prayer and song, if they kept the means to answer those prayers in their pockets they might pray themselves hoarse before God would answer them.

Next to the power of the Holy Ghost, declared Mr. Campbell, was the power of money for the salvation and elevation of humanity. That was a daring statement, but one the truth of which he could demonstrate. Where there was no money there was no missionary. The missionary nurtured the seed which money enabled him to plant. He was not speaking to millionaires, but to ordinary persons, and this matter of spreading a Gospel which had been trusted to them was a personal one.

APPALLING CALAMITY.

THEATRE A RAGING FURNACE.

FIGHTING FOR LIFE.

WOMEN TRAMPLED DOWN.

PARENTS SACRIFICE THEMSELVES.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

The explosion in connection with a cinematograph which was being worked at an entertainment in the Rhoades Opera House, Boyertown, Pennsylvania, caused a panic among the audience, which numbered 700, being chiefly women and Sunday-school scholars.

They rushed the stage, overturning lamps, and thereby set fire to the scenery. Part of the floor collapsed, precipitating scores to the basement.

Within five minutes the theatre was a roaring furnace.

The staircases became choked with a mass of human beings. Many in the mad rush mounted piles of bodies five feet high and jumped from the windows.

The fire apparatus was out of order.

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The majority of the victims of the fire belonged to the most prominent families of Boyertown. Their children were participating in a play, entitled the "Scottish Reformation."

The coroner at the inquest expressed the opinion that the entrance to the theatre was too narrow.

Oil lamps were used as footlights. A child on the stage overturned a lamp, causing the explosion and starting the fire.

Reuter's correspondent telegraphs that the people became frenzied as the flames from the stage approached them, men beating down women and children in their efforts to escape.

Many parents sacrificed their lives, endeavouring to save their children.

Several men in their efforts to rescue dashed into the building and did not return.

One hundred and sixty-seven bodies have been recovered. This is believed to be the total number of deaths.

Later.

Inquiry shows that a pipe connecting the calcium light with a hydrogen tank, behind the audience, slipped off its connection, and the escaping gas made a hissing sound, causing a panic. The tank of hydrogen did not explode until the flames reached it.

DRUCE-PORTLAND COMPANY.

COMPULSORY WINDING UP.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

At the instance of a shareholder, and with the consent of all parties, Mr. Justice Neville yesterday ordered the compulsory winding up of the new Druce-Portland Company.

The petitioner declared that the promoters acted bonafide and honestly throughout. He was anxious that the subscribers should be reimbursed fully.

Mr. F. Smith, who appeared for the promoters, said that the latter had never suspected that George Hollamby Druce did not represent the elder branch of the family.

With the collapse of the Druce case, any reason for the existence of the Druce-Portland Company, which was formed to acquire any rights of one Sheridan, made under two agreements, one with Mr. G. H. Druce, and the other with Mr. T. K. V. Coburn, and an adviser of G. H. Druce, vanished, but even if the case had not collapsed inquiries by shareholders revealed that it would have failed in another direction, for it was stated to have been ascertained that G. H. Druce was not the representative of the eldest branch of the family, but that he had a cousin alive, who was son of his (G. H. Druce's) father's elder brother. The capital of the company was £25,000, in 100,000 shares of 5s each. The estates to which claim was made are estimated to be worth £16,000,000.

STATE PROSPECTING.

WEALTHY ABSENTEE'S PROPOSAL.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

Mr. Hermann Landau, presiding at the annual meeting of the Associated Northern Blocks' Gold-mining Company (W.A.), suggested that the Government of Western Australia ought to test and explore the Kalgoorlie district, where so far as he could see all the producing mines were approaching their end. He did not believe that the Government would grudge £100,000 or £200,000 for this purpose, and the mining companies should be only too eager to contribute.

NATIONAL IRISH UNIVERSITY.

ROMAN CATHOLIC INSTITUTION.

MR. BIRRELL'S PROPOSAL.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

The "Pall Mall Gazette" writes that Mr. A. Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, early in the coming session of Parliament will bring in a bill to establish a national Roman Catholic University in Ireland, with a Government grant of £30,000 annually, representing £60 per student.

A DIVORCE SUIT.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN FAMILIES.

WIFE'S SISTER CO-RESPONDENT.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

Mr. Walter Waterhouse has been divorced by his wife on the ground of misconduct with her sister, Miss Dorothy Fotheringham. The parties were married at Gawler, South Australia, in 1885. They lived for ten years at Edinbridge, Kent, and later at Brighton.

Mr. Waterhouse had settled £800 a year on his wife, with a reversion in case of her death of one half to himself and one half to four children of the marriage. The suit was not defended.

Our Adelaide correspondent telegraphs:—Mr. Walter Waterhouse is a son of the late Thomas Waterhouse, one of the oldest settlers in South Australia, and part holder of some of the most valuable city properties in Adelaide. Mrs. Waterhouse is 40 years of age, and her sister is about 8 years younger. They are both handsome women. Their father, Mr. Thomas Fotheringham, who was a brewer at Gawler, died many years ago, and his widow went to Scotland, accompanied by her daughter Dorothy. Mrs. Fotheringham died in England. It is understood that since then Dorothy had lived with Mr. Waterhouse. The Fotheringhams are old settlers in Gawler, and are a highly respected family.

IRISH NATIONALIST SPLIT.

MR. SHEEHAN'S EXPULSION.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

The Court at Dublin has allowed Mr. D. D. Sheehan, M.P., to interrogate Mr. John Redmond, M.P., and other Nationalists, respecting his action against them for libel and conspiracy in connection with his expulsion from the Irish Parliamentary party.

PASSIVE RESISTERS.

TRANSVAAL GAOLS ASIATICS.

LEADERS MADE EXAMPLES.

BRAHMIN PLEADS HIS CASTE.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

An Indian at Pretoria, for failing to quit the Transvaal on the 12th instant, on his failing to register, was yesterday sentenced to three months' imprisonment. Ten Indians and eight Chinese, shop assistants and storekeepers, have been ordered to quit the country by the 26th instant for picketing so as to induce compatriots not to register.

The chairman of the Chinese Association of Johannesburg and an Indian have been sentenced to two months' imprisonment for failing to quit the country.

Thirty-two Indians at Johannesburg have been ordered to quit the country in a fortnight. The majority pleaded that they had resided in the Transvaal from 12 to 16 years, and had businesses valued at thousands of pounds.

A Brahmin pleaded that he belonged to the highest class of Indians, who had representatives in the House of Commons and in the Council of India, and that compulsion was contrary to their principle.

ANGRY CORRESPONDENCE.

DEGRADING REGISTRATION.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

An angry correspondence is proceeding in the "Times" regarding the unfairness of differential legislation, which is being applied to Indians resident in the Transvaal and in other colonies, especially the degrading registration which means taking an impression of the ten digits.

APPEAL TO PRIME MINISTER.

STRAINING INDIAN LOYALTY.

Indians in the Transvaal have appealed to the Prime Minister, Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, protesting against the indifference of the British Government, which they state is straining the loyalty of Indian subjects.

Mr. Smuts, Colonial Secretary, has caused the arrest of 35 Indians and 15 Chinese, who include the principal leaders against compulsory registration.

THE THAW TRIAL.

DEFENCE OF INSANITY.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

Mr. Littleton, leading counsel for the defence of Harry Thaw, now being tried at New York, charged with the murder of Stanford White, in addressing the jury, declared that there had been insanity in the families of Harry Thaw's father and mother. The prisoner, he said, had been subject to fits of insanity from early childhood, and was stark, staring mad at the time of the tragedy.

INDIAN EXTREMISTS.

REVIVAL OF AGITATION.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

Lajpat Rai, whose sentence of deportation to Burmah was recently remitted, announced at a meeting at Calcutta his intention to publish a reply to charges made by Mr. J. Morley, Secretary of State for India. He urged patriots to unite against their common enemy, and fight an unyielding battle. The condition of India was one of abject political slavery.

Surendranath Bannerjee, who presided, described the deportation of Lajpat Rai as an insult to the whole country.

The charges to which Mr. Lajpat Rai takes exception, and naturally so, since his acts and those of his co-agitators led to their being formulated, were made by Mr. Morley in the course of an address to his constituents in October last. Mr. Morley, in defending himself from the charge that by coercion in India he had gone back on the principles of Liberalism, said:—"To nobody in this world, by habit, by education, by experience, by views expressed in political affairs for a great many years past—to nobody is repression, exceptional repression, more distasteful than it is to your representative. (Cheers.) But after all, gentlemen, you would not have me see men try to set the prairie on fire without arresting the hand; you would not, when I saw men smoking their pipes—political pipes, or ordinary pipes—you would not blame me, you would not call me an arch coercionist, if I said, 'Away with the men, and away with the powder!'" (Cheers.)

THE KENSIT CAMPAIGN.

ABOLITION OF CONFESSIONALS.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

The Right Rev. Dr. Winnington-Ingram, Bishop of London, speaking at Bournemouth, stated that he was unable altogether to ignore the Kensit agitation, and if an inquiry showed that confessional boxes had been placed in some of the London churches they would very soon be cleared out.

MONTE CARLO MURDER.

GOOLDS' APPEAL DISMISSED.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

The appeal of V. Goold and his wife against their conviction for the murder of Madam Levin at Monte Carlo in August last has been dismissed.

COSTLY PANAMA CANAL.

USELESS FOR DREADNOUGHTS.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

It is reported at Washington that the Panama Canal will cost £30,000,000 above the estimates, owing to revisions in the plans, but even then vessels the size of Dreadnoughts will not be able to pass through it.

COMMONWEALTH OIL CO.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

The first mortgage debentures amounting to £150,000, and bearing interest at the rate of 3½ per cent., issued by the Commonwealth Oil Corporation, have been oversubscribed.

CLARENCE SUGAR SEASON.

SPLENDID CRUSHING FINISHED.

CUTTERS EARN BIG WAGES.

CHATSWORTH ISLAND, Wednesday.

The season's crushing at Harwood Mill has concluded, 85,000 tons of cane having passed through the rollers. Sixteen gangs of cane-cutters were employed. The largest cheque earned was credited to Frank Loy's gang, who made £112 11s 10d per man for 28½ weeks' work. The lowest cheque was about £70 per man. The season was excellent for harvesting operations, very little loss of time having occurred through wet weather. It is many years since such a long crushing has been experienced, and strong indication that the sugar industry on the Clarence is not waning.

TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

At the sales of Australian and New Zealand tallow to-day, 1020 casks were offered, and 398 were sold. Prices were:—Mutton, fine 34/3, medium 32/; beef, fine 33/, medium 31/.

INCOME TAX APPEAL.

REASONS FOR REFUSING LEAVE.

THE MATTER ALREADY SETTLED.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council yesterday gave its reasons for refusing leave to the plaintiffs to appeal in the cases of the Commissioner of Taxation of New South Wales versus Baxter, the Commissioner of Taxation of Victoria versus Crouch, and the same versus Flint, the question at issue being the liability of Federal officers to pay income tax.

Lord Loreburn, the Lord High Chancellor, in a brief speech, said: "Before these petitions could be heard the Commonwealth passed an Act expressly authorising the States to impose a tax of the kind in question, so that the controversy cannot be raised again. The sums in dispute or indirectly affected are inconsiderable in amount.

"For these reasons it would not be in accordance with the practice of this board to advise his Majesty to grant special leave to appeal."

The Privy Council, in rejecting leave to appeal on the grounds stated, has brought no nearer solution the question whether on the issues stated the High Court is bound by the decision of the Judicial Committee. The High Court had decided that Federal officers' salaries were not liable to State income tax. A case was then taken to the Privy Council, which decided that such salaries were liable. Again a Commonwealth officer made appeal to the High Court, which declined to be bound by the decision of the Privy Council, and reaffirmed its former decision. On the High Court refusing leave to appeal, an application for special leave was made to the Privy Council.

BIG FIRE AT GANMAIN.

BLOCK OF BUILDINGS GONE.

COOLAMON, Wednesday.

At Ganmain, at 4 o'clock this morning, an extensive, serious fire broke out, burning to the ground a block of buildings opposite the railway line. From reports to hand the following places were destroyed:—

Burns, blacksmith, paint shop and contents.

Warran's fruit shop, dwelling and contents.

Barr's butcher shop and dwelling.

Cutts and White, general storekeepers, dwelling, contents, stock.

Cooney's Royal Hotel, all outhouses, stables, and considerable furniture.

Simon Hollind, saddler, shop, dwelling and contents.

Turner Bros., bicycle shop.

And an empty shop adjoining.

The street is a mass of furniture, books, papers and clothing, right up against railway fence. Cooney's and Cutts and White were insured in the Royal and City Mutual companies respectively. Rowston and Boyd's office and the Post Office had a narrow escape. The fire stopped there. Burns was insured in the Mercantile Mutual Company.

BALLOON ASCENT.

DELAYED START.

BUT EXCITING FINISH.

"I'll bet 50 dollars she'll go up," was Aeronaut Stewart's retort to a sceptical spectator at Wonderland City yesterday afternoon, who said, "The balloon won't go up today."

Nobody took the bet, but hundreds would have liked to, for with the high wind which swept in from Tamarama Beach it looked as though the gigantic bag would not keep steady long enough to become inflated. In this instance it was a case of the unexpected happening, for after a delay of about two hours the ascent took place, and those who waited to see it were rewarded by witnessing a thrilling spectacle.

Long before the advertised time for the ascent dense crowds gathered on the heights overlooking the valley in Wonderland City. There was nothing to attract them but a huge sheet of smoke-coloured material, which lay on the sand in a roped-in enclosure. There was nothing to show that it was a balloon until the centre of it was hoisted into the air on a rope suspended between two high poles. Even then it looked more like a huge piece of washing on a line than a "monarch of the air." It did not remain long like that, for a start was at once made with the inflation. Then the interest quickened, for the method of filling the huge bag was highly exciting. The balloon was hoisted over a large funnel, which was connected by tunnel with a furnace. An immense fire was lighted in the furnace, and fed by kerosene and benzine, and the flames roared up the funnel and poured hot air into the balloon. After the fire had been going about a quarter of an hour the huge sheet assumed a shape something like the finished article. Then the nor'-easter took a hand. When the inflation was begun it gave no trouble, but blew up the valley just strong enough to fan the flames in the furnace. But as the massive envelope swelled out the wind increased until half a gale was blowing. The balloon tugged and swayed, and defied the 50 men holding it to keep it in position over the funnel. Gallons on gallons of oil were poured on to the flames to hasten the inflation, but each time the balloon was nearly full a powerful gust would compress the sides of the bag, and the hot air would be forced out. For over an hour the men stuck to the struggling monster, while inside the aeronaut was sweltering in the fumes trying to check the outflow of the hot air. The work of inflation was almost completed, when a violent gust tore away a rope supporting the centre of the bag, and the whole affair subsided and flattened out.

This was the cue for the departure of a large number of onlookers who thought that the affair had ended in the way of nearly all balloon "ascents"—failure. Such, however, was not the case. The proprietors of the apparatus were prepared for what happened to the big balloon, "King Edward." They had another string to their bow in "President Roosevelt," a balloon slightly smaller, for when filled it is only 80ft high and 150ft in circumference.

In a remarkably short time they had this spread over the funnel, and the furnace was going again. With the advent of the new ruler the weather conditions improved, and the hopes of the crowd brightened up. The filling of the new balloon was a splendid sight. Yard by yard the massive thing rose from the ground, until the top was 75ft above the men clinging on to the guy lines. Every few seconds the inside was illuminated by a huge sheet of flame, which would shoot up through the funnel, making the interior a veritable inferno for the two men stationed there to prevent sparks from igniting the cotton material of which the skin is made.

When it was inflated the aeronaut lost no time in taking his position on the trapeze with his bundle of parachutes. He was dressed in tights and guernsey, and looked the coolest man on the ground. After trying a few ropes he peeped round to see if everything else was right, and then shouted "Let hurr go," and "she" did go. There were no half-measures about the way she went when she found herself free. She gave one slight lurch, and the next instant was a couple of hundred feet in the air, with Stewart dangling on the trapeze waving his hand to the crowd, who sent up cheer after cheer.

After going about three thousand feet up the balloon was caught in a top current of air and swept towards Waverley. At about four thousand feet up Stewart jumped off. Down he came at a terrific speed, which was gradually checked as a big white parachute opened out. His successful beginning of the descent brought cheers from the crowd who were hurrying to get a view of the alighting. After Stewart had come down a few hundred feet he gave the spectators a thrill of intense excitement. Without any warning he loosened his hold and fell at a terrific speed, while the parachute, relieved of the man's weight, hung listlessly in the air. The running crowd made a momentary halt, and many, fearing to see the aeronaut dashed to death, turned their heads away. Their fears, however, were groundless, for after the man had fallen a little distance another parachute—this time a red one—opened out, and the aeronaut's speed was instantly checked. His descent ended just outside the Waverley Cemetery, where his fall was broken by a small tree into which he fell. The balloon, belching forth black clouds of smoke, drifted about two miles inland, and finished up in a back yard in Waverley. Another ascent will be made by Stewart to-day at 5 o'clock.

AN ISLAND WRECK.

TOTAL LOSS OF THE PARUA.

DRIVEN ON A REEF IN A HURRICANE.

ALL HANDS SAVED.

News reached Sydney yesterday of the total loss of the recently locally-owned island steamer Parua on a reef in the Fiji group. The Parua, while engaged in collecting copra, encountered a terrific hurricane on Thursday last, and became absolutely unmanageable. The wind increased in velocity, and the seas were washing right over the little vessel. Although her engines were placed at full speed in an attempt to keep off the land, the Parua was helpless, and was driven before the hurricane like a cork.

The deck cargo, consisting of ten tons of copra in bags and other merchandise, was jettisoned, but this had little effect. Several of the crew had narrow escapes while casting the goods over, for every few minutes great green seas descended on the decks with terrific violence, carrying away the fittings and flooding the cabins. To launch the boats in such a sea was out of the question, and for hours all hands were in great peril.

Eventually in the height of the tempest the Parua was driven ashore near Somo Somo, off the coast of Taviuni, and was repeatedly dashed against the rocks with such force that the vessel at once commenced to go to pieces. No one on board expected to safely reach the shore. The exact spot of the disaster is known as Tabuta Reef—a locality much dreaded by mariners. Some conception of the force of the winds and seas may be formed from the fact that the Parua was bodily lifted on rocks 300ft distant from deep water.

As the huge rollers constantly swept the reef bumping the vessel on the rocky bottom great holes were rent in her sides, through which vast volumes of water made their way into the engine-room, extinguishing the fires. The stern was completely torn away, and wreckage was floating around the stranded vessel in large quantities.

When at last the hurricane subsided the ship's company managed to scramble ashore by means of ropes, and all safely landed on the reef. An examination of the vessel was made on the following day. The water was rising and falling in her holds with the tide, and the opinion was expressed that she would completely go to pieces in the next gale.

The Parua, which was valued at upwards of £4000, was thereupon abandoned to the underwriters, and the crew returned to Suva. The vessel was covered by insurance in the Queensland Insurance Company to the extent of £3000, but her cargo, which consisted of about 50 tons, was uninsured. Before leaving the scene of the wreck the ship's company succeeded in salving about 38 tons, but the remainder was found to be valueless. The wreck will probably be sold by auction at Suva.

The lost vessel was built of solid teak in 1899 by Messrs. Riley, Hargraves, and Co., of Singapore, for Dr. John Hay, of North Sydney and Coolangatta, who employed her in connection with the Torres Straits pearl-shelling industry. In the following year she was purchased by Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., of this city, and was successfully run for six years in the service between Cooktown, Thursday Island, and British New Guinea ports. In June, 1906, the Parua again changed hands, her new owners being Messrs. Robbie and Co., Limited, of Levuka. She was employed by that firm up to the time of her loss in the inter-island trade in the Fiji group, carrying stores to the different islands, and collecting copra on the return trips. Her headquarters were Levuka, where she discharged her copra cargoes for transhipment to Australia and Europe. The Parua was 87ft in length, with a beam of 18ft, and a depth of 8ft 2in. Her propelling machinery consisted of a set of compound surface-condensing engines, and she was generally regarded as a very useful craft for the island services.

DRUNKEN MAN'S LUCK.

LOCKED UP WITH £1300.

That the grasp of the law does not always crush is the fortunate experience of some who offend.

At any rate a German, whose good or ill-fortune caused him to be haled before the Central Police Court yesterday, had some excuse for directing his mind to those matters, and incidentally to offer sacrifice to the deity that cares for the drunken. He was much "under the influence" when taken in hand on Wednesday night, when at the police station it was discovered that he had in his possession a parcel containing no less an amount than £1300. A coincidence was that the German, who was diminutive, was gathered in by Constable John William, who is said to be the biggest member of the force.

As the locality in which the "drunk" was found is known to the police as a particularly disreputable one, it is perhaps safe to assert that those of ill-fame who haunt it missed a good thing.

MELBOURNE TO SYDNEY.

A DAY'S JOURNEY.

MOTORISTS' ATTEMPTED RECORD.

MELBOURNE, Thursday Morning.

At half-past 2 o'clock this morning H. James and C. B. Kellow propose to leave Melbourne in a 15.20-h.p. Talbot motor car, shod with Dunlop tyres, in the hope of putting up a new record for the Melbourne to Sydney run. Messrs. James and Kellow believe that they can cover the distance, 572 miles, in 24 hours, after stopping on the road about half an hour to fill the petrol and oil tanks.

METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY.

320 DAYS' STORAGE.

At the Water and Sewerage Board meeting yesterday the President stated that Prospect Reservoir now stood at 9.7 feet below overflow level. It had been stationary during the first part of the week, but there was a slight fall during the past two days. The Nepean River at Pheasant's Nest was flowing at the rate of 596,000 gallons per day. Cataract Reservoir now stood at 89.23 feet above the river bed, equal to an impoundage of 1707 million gallons. There had been a fall in the reservoir of 1.83 feet during the week, and the loss by evaporation and supply to Prospect during that period was 206,347,000 gallons, equal to an average of 29½ millions of gallons per day. The fall in Cataract from October 11, when the valves were first opened, had been 16.58 feet. The total fall in Cataract since the valves were first opened represented 2,593 million gallons. The total available storage in Prospect and Cataract was 9,598 millions, which, at 30 million gallons per day, gave a supply for about 320 days.

SPOILT HOLIDAYS.

INVITATION TO AN IMAGINARY STATION.

Three residents of Melbourne (writes the Deniliquin correspondent of the Melbourne "Age"), who were invited by a self-styled squatter whom they met in the city to spend their holidays on his station, which he said was about 80 miles from Deniliquin, arrived there last week. There was no drag to meet them at the station, as the squatter had promised, and on making inquiries they discovered that the squatter and his station were not known in the district. They returned to Melbourne in an angry mood at having their holidays spoilt.

INTERSTATE CRICKET.

NEW SOUTH WALES V VICTORIA.

The following players have been selected to represent New South Wales in the match against Victoria, which will commence at the Sydney Cricket Ground on the 24th instant:—

J. C. Barnes	M. A. Noble
H. Carter	V. Trumper
S. E. Gregory	E. F. Waddy
J. Johnson	E. L. Waddy
C. Kelleway	H. Whiddon
C. Macartney	A. J. Hopkins (12th)

HAZLITT UNABLE TO PLAY.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

G. Hazlitt will be unable to play for Victoria at Sydney against New South Wales. His thumb, which was injured in taking a fast catch off Cotter's bowling, is still weak, and he is advised not to use it again till it is thoroughly strong.

WEDDING BREAKFAST UPSET.

A lorry which was carrying a wedding breakfast, timed to arrive by 9 o'clock yesterday morning at Surrey-street, Darlinghurst, was climbing up a steep hill to the back of the house, when the horse lost his footing. He was dragged, with the result that the lorry was overturned, and glass, china, and wedding cake crashed on to the roadway. In spite of this the wedding was not delayed, for the caterer was able to deliver another cake, with glass and china all complete, within the appointed time.

THE NEWCASTLE BLOCK.

PRECEDENCE FOR PASSENGER STEAMERS.

EXTENSIVE ADDITIONS TO PLANT.

No time was lost by the Premier in having inquiry made as to the reason why the coaling of the Union liner Manuka at Newcastle was so seriously delayed, and in taking steps to guard against the recurrence of so unsatisfactory a state of affairs.

The Manuka went to Newcastle on Friday to take in 1000 tons of bunker coal, which was ready in trucks on the wharf, but the steamer did not get a loading berth until yesterday. Under ordinary circumstances the Manuka would have returned to Sydney on Saturday, and left for New Zealand yesterday, but she did not get back to Sydney until last evening, and her departure for New Zealand had therefore to be postponed until to-day.

Mr. Wade said yesterday that the congestion at Newcastle was due in the first instance to the accumulation, during the time the collieries were idle, of vessels seeking coal cargoes, and this congestion was accentuated by the Christmas holidays. But, even so, the Manuka would have been loaded with bunker coal in reasonable time were it not for a technical difficulty in the railway by-laws. As a result of an interview he had with the Chief Commissioner, the railway by-laws would be at once altered so as to permit of steamers conveying mails and passengers taking precedence at the loading berths for the purpose of complying with their published time-tables, provided that the coal was for each vessel's own consumption on the voyage.

Inquiries made at the Railway Department concerning the position at Newcastle showed that the department was doing its utmost to expedite the loading of coal cargoes, but owing to the late strike and the holidays there had been a heavy accumulation of ships and orders, with the result that the demand had overtaken the facilities. The staff was working at high pressure, and in doing all it could to meet the demand, but some delay to shipping was inevitable. The Commissioners were pressing on with the work of improving and extending the facilities at the port. Additional wharfage accommodation was to be provided, and some months ago orders had been placed for four of the M'Myler coal-dumpers, which were regarded as the most modern appliances for loading coal. Progress reports showed that the contract was well in hand, and the plant was about due for shipment from England. By the time the new dumpers were in working order they would have cost something like £75,000.

The Commissioners also had in hand works for improving and extending the siding accommodation so as to facilitate the handling of coal trucks. One of the minor causes of delay at the wharf was that some vessels did not take advantage of the maximum loading facilities. It often happened that a vessel required fixed quantities of different kinds of coal, and therefore remained at the berth much longer than would be necessary if she could be filled up with coal of any one kind. Altogether the Commissioners were committed to an expenditure of about £120,000 in bringing the coaling facilities at Newcastle up to date.

The Chief Commissioner, Mr. Johnson, left last evening for Newcastle, and will look into the coaling question and a number of other matters.

PASSENGERS STRANDED.

MANUKA FURTHER DETAINED.

Large crowds of angry passengers who had booked berths by the New Zealand steamer Manuka, and have been stranded in Sydney, violently protested yesterday against the serious detention of the vessel owing to the inability of the Government officials to provide her with a coal-berth at Newcastle.

The work of loading cargo was commenced as soon as the Manuka returned to the Margaret-street wharf last night, and gangs at heavy overtime rates were employed by the company throughout last night and this morning in shipping cargo. The work will be continued right up to the sailing hour this afternoon, and any cargo then remaining on the wharf will perforce have to lay there until the next steamer sails. Shippers of cargo waxed wrath yesterday, and the apathy of the Government in declining to take notice of frequent protests was severely commented upon.

DELAY OF THE PILBARRA.

TOURISTS LEAVE BY RAIL.

Another instance of the want of berthing accommodation at Newcastle is afforded by the A.U.S.N. Company's passenger steamer Pilbarra, which should have been despatched from Sydney at noon yesterday for Geraldton and Fremantle, in Western Australia, via Melbourne and Adelaide. She was sent to Newcastle on Sunday night last, and arrived there early on Monday morning, when the coal for her was in readiness in the railway waggons. The authorities, however, have been unable to supply her with a loading berth, and last evening the Pilbarra was still waiting in the stream at Newcastle, while the passengers booked by her were forced to engage rooms at the Sydney hotels. Under ordinary circumstances the Pilbarra would have returned to Sydney with her bunkers replenished on Monday night, or early on Tuesday morning.

The agents have postponed the departure of the Pilbarra until midnight to-night—a delay of 36 hours—but there is no certainty that she will be in readiness to sail at that hour, and it is improbable that she will be despatched before to-morrow at the earliest. About 30 or 40 passengers and a large number of shippers have been inconvenienced, while yesterday afternoon several tourists who had booked for Melbourne and Adelaide cancelled their berths and proceeded at greater expense by train.

WELLINGTON STEAMER WARRIMOO.

Fears are now entertained that the Union Company's steamer Warrimoo, which should sail at 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoon with mails and passengers for Wellington, will be delayed. She arrived at Newcastle from Sydney for bunker coal at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, and up to a late hour last night had not secured a berth, although the coal is awaiting her on the wharf. It is imperative that the Warrimoo shall be despatched on Saturday in order to carry out the contract for the carriage of the Suez mails to Sydney, and if she cannot be accommodated at Newcastle sufficient coal will be scraped together from various sources and loaded into her bunkers here. The Union Company has determined if the position becomes further aggravated to send the Warrimoo away short of cargo, or even empty.

FEDERAL NAVAL DEPOT.

COCKATOO ISLAND SITE.

NEGOTIATIONS IN PROGRESS.

The Premier (Mr. Wade) yesterday confirmed the report published in the "Herald" that negotiations were proceeding between the Federal Government and the Government of New South Wales for the use of a portion of Cockatoo Island as a naval depot.

Mr. Wade further said that negotiations were still in progress, and they did not refer to the portion of the island where the Fitzroy Dock is located; but he declined to give any particulars, or to indicate whether Goat Island came into the discussion.

The Fitzroy Dock is now so well equipped that it would be greatly to the advantage of the Federal authorities to have the naval depot established in its near vicinity. Moreover, it is known that State Ministers are well disposed to the idea of the establishment of the Federal depot within Port Jackson. Under these circumstances, and in view of the overwhelming advantages of Sydney as a port, it is not improbable that the negotiations now in progress may be carried to a satisfactory conclusion.

TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAY.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Attention is being given by the Home Affairs Department to the forthcoming survey of the railway line to Western Australia authorised by Parliament. As a preliminary it is proposed to reassemble the conference of engineers which met in 1903 and reported on the subject. No date is fixed as yet, but the meeting will probably take place at an early date.

MAD AFGHAN INCARCERATED.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The Afghan lunatic, Gool, who yesterday caused such trouble in the Afghan camp and in the police station was to-day committed to the asylum.

WATERSIDE WORKERS.

INTERSTATE SETTLEMENT.

COASTAL COMPANIES STILL IN DISPUTE

INTERVIEW WITH MR. HUGHES, M.P.

The waterside workers' disputes, which threatened to become extremely serious, are now confined in Newcastle to the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company, employing only some 50 or 60 men, and in Sydney to the three coastal companies—the Newcastle and Hunter River Company, the Illawarra Company, and the North Coast Company—a basis of settlement having been arrived at in so far as the interstate companies are concerned.

At a conference of the executive of the Newcastle Wharf Labourers and the Sydney Wharf Labourers, held on Tuesday, Mr. Hughes, M.P., who is the president of the Waterside Workers' Federation of Australia, made certain proposals as a basis of settlement. He waited upon the Interstate Steamship Federation in Sydney yesterday, and submitted these proposals for a settlement. After some discussion and minor alterations they were tentatively agreed to, and the Newcastle representatives of the federation were notified and requested to arrange for a conference with a view to arriving at a settlement. This settlement (interstate only) was agreed to yesterday at Newcastle.

At a special meeting of the Sydney Wharf Labourers' Union last night at the Trades Hall Mr. Hughes explained fully the position in which the men stood, and the following motion was carried:—"That the report of the action of the executive by Mr. Hughes be adopted, and that his arrangement with the Interstate Steamship Federation for a settlement of the dispute between the Interstate Steamship Federation and the Newcastle Wharf Labourers' branch of the Waterside Workers' Federation be endorsed."

The details of this agreement have still to be drawn up. The position was becoming exceedingly serious, owing to the decision of the Trimmers' Union at Newcastle not to coal any vessel handled by non-unionists. This might easily at the present very delicate industrial position have resulted in another coal crisis. It is understood that the basis of the settlement was:—1s 1½d and 1s 8d for general cargo, and 1s 3d and 1s 9d for special cargo, which, subject to certain local peculiarities of the Newcastle trade, is said to be similar to the conditions existing in Sydney and Melbourne.

With regard to the coastal companies, the union in Sydney stands in the position it was before. "We hope," said Mr. Hughes, "that these coastal companies will see their way clear to pay what is a reasonable thing. The payments have been recognised a third time by other companies, but the coastal companies alone, under a specious pretext of their own, decline to pay them. I notice that Mr. Thomas, manager for the Hunter River Company, has had a great deal to say about the Arbitration Court and Act, and has invited us to submit the dispute for settlement in that Court. It is well that the public should know that in making such an offer he is not acting bona fide. He knows perfectly well, and it was his excuse for not arriving at an agreement, that we were not capable of going to the Arbitration Court, because we have been struck off by the Registrar. Because of this he, and the other coastal companies, decline to enter into an industrial agreement, which, they said, would not be binding. I would like to say that I offered, on behalf of the union, to enter, with my colleagues on the executive, into any recognisances which might be sufficient for substantial penalties. But this, too, was found inconvenient. There has been a great deal said about flouting the Arbitration Court. What are the facts? The interstate companies have had an experience of more than 12 months of an award which from the very first seemed to be both impracticable and unjust. With very little ado, they set it on one side in favour of one which, in essential particulars, was much more favourable to the men. And again, after 12 months' experience, they granted a further increase of 2d per hour for overtime, while in the first place they had given preference to unionists, which has since been found to be mutually satisfactory, the relationship between the parties being more than harmonious."

HUNTER RIVER COMPANY'S POSITION.

APPLICATION IN ARBITRATION.

COURT DECLINES TO DEAL EX PARTE.

The Arbitration Court, Mr. Justice Street, Deputy-President, and Messrs. T. E. Spencer and E. Riley, members, had before it yesterday an application by the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company, which, in substance, was one for the interpretation of the award made between the company and the Newcastle Wharf Labourers' Union.

Dr. Brissenden, instructed by Mr. H. De Y. Scroggie, appeared for the applicant company, which was the respondent company at the hearing of the issues in November, 1902. Counsel explained that under the award certain hours of labour and rates of pay were provided for.

His Honor: I notice you have taken out a notice of motion for Monday next?

Dr. Brissenden said that had been done at the suggestion of the Registrar. He, however, believed that an ex-parte application was sufficient. The company's contention was that the employees, the wharf-labourers, were in contempt of the Court; that they had been guilty of a disobedience of an award which had been in existence from the inception of the Court. The wharf labourers, he explained, had broken the terms of the award, and disregarded the recognised practice of the parties, which was continuing to work, pending the matter in dispute being brought before the Court.

Affidavits were read, and Dr. Brissenden said he would not go so far as to say that the union was deliberately refusing to supply the company with labour. But the fact remained that it had failed to supply it.

His Honor said the feeling of the Court was that the application should not be heard in the absence of the other side. He made an order that the application should stand over till 2 p.m. on Friday, and directed that notice was to be given to the claimant union of the intention to apply. The order was not to be taken as waiving or prejudicing any right which the applicant company might claim to have accrued to it through the alleged breach of the award on the part of the union.

ROTTEN TOMATOES.

AN OFFICIAL DENIAL.

Some time ago the chief inspector of the cleansing department of the City Council reported that 60 cases of rotten tomatoes had been removed from Belmore Market, and sent to a pickle factory, presumably to be turned into food for human consumption. Dr. Armstrong, the city health officer, was deputed to make inquiries, and a report which he had prepared on the subject was laid before the health committee yesterday. Dr. Armstrong went minutely into the matter, and among his conclusions was one that the statement was based on a vague and unsupported rumour, and should not have been made on the slender evidence adduced in support of it. "Apparently all that was known about the matter," concluded the doctor, "was that about 60 cases of tomatoes, two of which had been opened and found to be 'pretty good,' were removed from the market in May last in the ordinary course of business by some person residing somewhere in Redfern for some purpose, of the nature of which there is not the slightest evidence of any kind offered or available."

The committee decided to have copies made of the report and circulated among members of the council, and to consider the matter at its next meeting.

CUNNING CELESTIAL.

BOLTS FROM HIS SHIP.

WOLLONGONG, Wednesday.

A Chinaman, a seaman belonging to the steamer Chatham, which is at present lying in Kembla Bay awaiting a cargo of coal for Hongkong, escaped from the vessel early last night. He was seen in the vicinity of the town about 11 p.m., but since has not been heard of.

The police are making a vigorous search. There are numerous Chinese gardens in the district, and it will be hard to effect a capture.

WRECKAGE DISCOVERED.

SHIPPING DISASTER SURMISED.

THURSDAY ISLAND, Wednesday.

It was reported a day or two ago that some wreckage was seen in the boat passage between the Horn and Prince of Wales Island. A search by the water police yesterday resulted in the discovery of a mast, with the boom gaff still attached and the sail set, indicating that a lugger had been in trouble. There was no sign of the hull.

No boat has been reported as damaged. It is surmised that a vessel has gone down, and that her men are lost. But it is possible that the gear may belong to the Preston, which was lost off Naghir on January 5.

RE-FORTIFICATION.

DEFENCE OF SYDNEY HARBOUR.

GUNS SUGGESTED FOR NORTH HEAD.

The re-fortification of Sydney Harbour is actively engaging the attention of the military authorities. Colonel Owen, who is now reporting on schemes for the re-fortification of Hobart, left Sydney a week ago, having, it is understood, completed his investigations here on the same subject. Colonel Owen's report will be dealt with by the Military Board, it is understood, at an early date, and the annual report of the State Commandant—also dealing with the state of defence works and giving suggestions for new works—should have reached the board a fortnight ago. The investigations will lead to the adoption of a comprehensive scheme for the re-fortification of Port Jackson.

On August 8 last year Sir William Lyne brought before the House of Representatives an Estimate which included this item:—"Towards harbours and coastal defence, £250,000; guns, lights, and emplacements for fixed defences, £50,000." The Imperial Defence Committee had recommended that Australia should look to its harbours, and leave the rest to the Royal Navy; should abolish submarine mines; should defend its harbours, and use uniform guns of the pattern known as 6in Mark VII. For land defence the committee's advice had been adopted in the main. "The total cost of the recommendations of the Imperial Defence Committee," said Sir William Lyne, "will be about £250,000."

In any scheme for the reconstruction of the Sydney forts is first the vexed question of North Head. At present the Sydney defences divide themselves into two parts. There is a chain of forts up the coast from Botany to South Head, and there are batteries on Middle Head. Many citizens of Sydney are not aware that North Head has never been fortified. The reason is simple—they might be cut off. Nothing short of a movable field force can prevent an enemy landing a few miles to the north or south of the strongest forts; and it is not to prevent the landing of an army, but to defeat one of two naval attacks—a bombardment from the ocean or a raid by torpedo craft upon the harbour—that the fortifications of Sydney have been designed.

The only guns in our system of fortifications which could be made use of to resist a bombardment are those planted along the coast. The guns on Middle Head, great and small, are of no value for the purpose, unless the enemy deliberately chooses to place his ships along just those few inches of horizon which are visible between the Heads to anyone standing on Middle Head. The guns on Middle Head can only fire through an arc of from 15 to 20 degrees at a ship floating outside of the Heads. That is a very limited arc indeed. The barbette guns have arcs of up to 250 degrees; on a broadside, if sponsoned out, they can fire safely through 150 or 160. The big guns on Middle Head can only reach the ocean through the little strip of blue water which the two Heads fail to screen from them. The object of the Military Board will be to place guns where they can support the South Head forts, and at the same time cover any water that may at present be inadequately defended.

As things are the South Head forts and the Middle Head forts can be bombarded piecemeal. For this reason there has from time out of mind been in certain quarters an agitation for the placing of guns on North Head, where they could support the South Head forts. The matter has been one of correspondence between the naval and military authorities. But so far there has been in the way this almost insuperable difficulty, that North Head is in a very isolated position; and that any forts situated upon it would be liable to be cut off, and the guns to be used against the city. That is what happened at Port Arthur and in Cuba. For these reasons, although the question of fortifying North Head is of the utmost importance, and will certainly be considered, it is perhaps more probable that the additional big guns which are to be supplied to Sydney—they are all to be 6in Mark VII., though our three great 9.2's along the coast will remain—will be placed on the South Head. They will certainly not be mounted on Middle Head.

The Commonwealth authorities have no intention of abolishing their minefields, as had been recommended, at any rate until they have a system of submersibles to take their place.

Any rush of torpedo craft upon the Heads could be met by the guns on South Head in the first instance. On reaching the space between the Heads they would come under cover of the brow of the cliffs, and inside the limit to which the guns can be depressed. From that point for the space of a mile or more in the entrance of the harbour they are screened from the South Head guns until they reach a point opposite Middle Head, at which the South Head guns could reach them. Practically every other point in their passage can be opposed from South Head. But during this important interval only Middle Head can deal with them. That is the reason for placing guns on Middle Head, and retaining there two of the five companies of artillery of the Sydney garrison. The guns are of no use for work outside the Heads; their range seawards is some two miles shorter than that of similar guns on South Head; they cannot cover parts of the harbour which can be covered from South Head. Practically they are valuable only as against a raiding force from the time when it doubles into the entrance whilst it tears through a short space of water in tiny boats. But for that one service they are invaluable and indispensable.

Middle Head therefore has to be mounted chiefly with guns of the calibre to resist small craft—12-pounders, and so on. It is certain that no more big guns will be brought there. The new Mark VII. guns will be set where they can support their brethren, the 9.2's and 6in guns in firing out to sea—and that is either on the North or the South Head.

The changes are not likely to come immediately. In all probability the reports of the Commonwealth officers will be digested by the Military Board, and the results referred to the Imperial committee before any final steps are taken.

HOLIDAY DISORDERS.

EXISTING LAW AMPLE.

LARRIKINISM TO BE REPRESSED.

The town clerk yesterday submitted the following report to the health and bylaws committee:—

In accordance with instructions given by the committee at their last meeting to the effect that I should look into the bylaws and powers already possessed by the City Council with regard to larrikinism which took place on New Year's Eve, and having special regard to the use of explosive sticks, I have the honour to report that I have been in communication with the city solicitor in the matter, and he advises that, in his opinion, the council's bylaws regulating the use of streets and the powers possessed by the police under the Police Offences and Crimes Act are amply sufficient if enforced.

The city solicitor is of the opinion that as bylaw 519 deals with the sounding of noisy instruments and the use of explosive sticks, the way they were used on New Year's Eve is within this bylaw. As to assaults and indecencies, the powers of the police under the Acts above mentioned are, in the opinion of the city solicitor, ample.

Under section 200 of the Sydney Corporation Act, as the city solicitor also points out, the council has power to make bylaws for the suppression of all nuisances, and under section 12 of the Sydney Corporation Amendment Act of 1905 the council has power to make bylaws for the good government of the city. The city solicitor advises that as the latter power is very wide, if the council desires to make other bylaws it can do so, but in his opinion there is no need to make such further bylaws. He pertinently points out that the difficulty in enforcing bylaws arises in the fact that there is no power of arrest in respect of a breach of the council's bylaws, as in the case of the Police Offences Act or Crimes Act. In the case of an offence against the council's bylaws the police can only take the offender's name and address for the purpose of issuing a summons, and in many cases the offenders give false names and addresses.

I should suggest that the Inspector-General of Police should be communicated with and his attention directed to the powers already existing under bylaws regulating the use of streets, and also the powers already possessed by the police under the Police Offences and Crimes Acts, and, if desired by the committee, I could confer with the Inspector-General of Police and the city solicitor with regard to any further powers that may be required as to arrests for offences against the council's bylaws.

It was decided to recommend the council to adopt the report.

THE OAKS RUSH.

WARNING TO MINERS.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Under-Secretary for Mines has received the following from the warden at Georgetown:—"Latest official report states that 300 men are now at Oaks rush, and others arriving daily from all directions. Two hundred are on gold dirt, washing 2oz per load. The deepest ground is 7ft. Please warn public that the field is overmanned, food supplies are very scarce, and most of the gold is found within an area of less than a square mile."

The road between Cloncurry and Julia Creek, which was interrupted by the recent flood, has been temporarily repaired, and goods, etc., which accumulated have been carried on. No other traffic will be taken, however, until after the wet season. The coach route is open, and the coach running regularly between Cloncurry and Julia Creek.

MORE RECORDS.

HILL 160, HARTIGAN 116.

ENGLAND REQUIRES 290 TO WIN.

FIVE WICKETS IN HAND.

HARDSTAFF, 72.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The fourth day of the third test match furnished records, and so has the fifth day. Australia's second innings of 506 is the only occasion the fifth hundred has been passed in the second venture in the course of the 78 engagements between the two countries; and in the accumulation of those runs partnership records were made for test and first-class cricket. The eighth wicket record was broken on Tuesday. To-day new figures were made for the best partnership in these games, and a world's record for the eighth wicket. Australia has four times got beyond 500 in a first venture, and now it has done so in a second. England has in its first innings thrice done so. England's best second innings total is 475, at Melbourne, in 1894.

The usual thing happened after an arduous time in the field. The Englishmen, knocked up, went in and lost wickets. They certainly struck O'Connor and Saunders in good form, and a couple of fine catches were brought off, that by Macartney being as fine a one as could be seen. The wicket is wearing well, though the bowlers mentioned are making the ball turn. The delivery with which Saunders got the English captain's wicket pitched on the leg stump, nipped across quickly, and took the off bail. O'Connor well deserved Hutchings's wicket. Hardstaff, though unsteady at first, played a capital innings afterwards. Some of the English professionals, as in Melbourne, questioned the umpires' decision to-day, Barnes showed disappointment over Crockett's decision in not allowing his appeal for l.b.w. against Saunders. He made some gesticulations, apparently to prove the decision wrong, and the matter was commented upon.

The attendance was 4000, and the takings £215. The maximum temperature was nearly 112 in the shade and 156 in the sun.

It looks as though the best two matches out of three are coming to Australia. England in this engagement requires 290 and has five wickets in hand. No one can say what will result to-morrow. The whole history of the game this season is one long series of unexpected happenings, though the chances of English victory appear at present very remote.

The unfinished partnership of Hill and Hartigan held intact long enough to beat all test match partnerships, and at 243 Hartigan was caught by Young, who was fielding substitute for Fielder, who has neuralgia and cold. Hill continued his innings until reaching 160. Yesterday Hartigan's batting was almost without blemish. To-day in adding 11 he was twice let off. On the other hand, Hill, who was remarkably lucky yesterday, played in his old style to-day. A shilling collection to present the Queensland-South Australian couple with a souvenir of the occasion reached £22 10s. The partnership of Hill and Carter added 78, and brought up 501, and the innings closed at 506.

The Englishmen have simply themselves to thank if they lose this match. They had it in their bag when they started missing catches. They became disorganised, and so they remained until the finish. They had, of course, a terrible time in the blazing sun. They also had bad luck in Fielder getting off colour, and being unable to resume to-day. He was unable yesterday to bowl up to his best form. Obviously his indisposition crippled the English team. Humphries has a strain, and Barnes was affected by the heat. And the fact that a man who had been nursing himself, and for whom a substitute fielded, should get 160, even admitting that he should have been out when 22, would not tend to place the Englishmen in a good humour. Hill was resting while they were baking. The allowance of a substitute for him was a concession by the English captain. His performance was all the same as remarkable a one as there is in the history of these games. He fielded in the second innings.

THE PLAY.

The match was resumed in a temperature of 152 in the sun and 104 in the shade, with Hill 106 and Hartigan 105. The Queenslander was on the road to make another record. During the morning the number of telegrams received was on a fair way to reach the century. When 400 was hoisted the innings had lasted 6 hours 29 minutes. Fielder was absent, owing to neuralgia, and Young was filling the vacancy in the field. This morning opened luckily. At 110 Hill should have been easily caught by Barnes at mid-off off Crawford, the ball coming to the fieldsman, and 2 runs coming from the stroke. Two runs later in trying to effect a leg hit he left his crease by a yard, and Humphries failed to take the ball, which dropped to the ground, and the wicket-keeper then tried to kick it on to the stumps. Thus Barnes lost a wicket.

WICKET-KEEPING DETERIORATING.

It is evident from the number of chances missed in this way by the present-day stumpers that the standard of work in that capacity is deteriorating. It is hard to imagine a man like Blackham, the prince of wicketkeepers, failing to take advantage of a batsman's mistake. Hill was twice let off in this way yesterday. The only instance this season in which a man has received his dismissal by being stumped round the legs occurred in Sydney, and that was a fluke. Hill left his ground, and the ball rebounded off Carter's pads into the wicket.

MORE RECORDS.

When the partnership had put on 222 the previous record for the best test partnership was broken. It was held by G. H. S. Trott and S. E. Gregory, and was established at Lords in June, 1896. Hill brought forth cheers for a capital square cut to the track off Crawford, and he was given four by a piece of misfielding by Young. Runs came along by gentle taps here and there, and presently the world's record partnership of 240 for the eighth wicket was smashed—the previous figures stood to the credit of Lord Hawke and Robert Peel for Yorkshire and Warwickshire at Birmingham in 1896—and a few runs prior thereto, at 226, the partnership of A. J. Hopkins and R. A. Duff for New South Wales v Lord Hawke's team in 1903 was exceeded.

HARTIGAN OUT.

The Queenslander in trying to effect a square cut was caught easily by Young at point off Barnes. He was in 4 hours 14 minutes for 116, and was received with loud and continued cheers on returning to the pavilion. This morning he did not get properly going, and his batting was not in the same class as that of yesterday. His score included 12 fours. Hill was imparting considerable vigour into his strokes, notwithstanding the fact that he was still weak, and after close running, and especially after twos or threes, he had to pause for some time to recover from the exertion. He cut Rhodes beautifully past point to the boundary. The Yorkshireman had relieved Crawford at 433, and Carter punished the lefthander by square cutting him for four and driving him down the ground for three. Braund was brought on vice Barnes (three for 74), and Carter got to work on him, off driving and cutting. He notched a dozen off the first over, which were increased by a couple for byes.

FAST BATTING.

The crowd appreciated the fast batting, and cheer followed cheer. The lefthander's batting was sounder than it was yesterday. He timed his strokes better, and looked now quite set. Braund sent down a full toss, which struck Hill on the body as he tried to despatch it to square leg. The next ball he jumped out and drove it grandly to the off pickets. He was now 141, and Carter 23. At 475 Hutchings was commissioned to carry on the attack instead of Braund (two for 85), and his first went on the leg side for four byes, and the next ball but one produced two more byes. The fourth flashed from Hill's bat past Young at silly short leg to the track. At luncheon he was 148, Carter 24, and 487 was on the board for eight wickets.

At 2 o'clock the temperature was 110½ in the shade and 155 in the sun. During luncheon Hill was massaged, and had nothing more than milk and apollinaris. Collectors were going round the ground gathering shillings for a public testimonial to Hill and Hartigan in recognition of their extraordinary performance.

HILL, 150.

Shortly after resuming, Hill by getting Crawford to leg for two became 150, and received an ovation. It had taken him 4 hours 57 minutes to traverse the distance. At 496 and when Carter was 26 he drove high to Braund, who jumped and with his right hand knocked the ball up a couple of times, and then allowed it to go to the ground close to Hutchings, who had moved a little forward.

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had he remained where he was standing he could have made the catch off Braund's hand. Carter was then 26.

500 UP.

Hill by forward cutting Crawford caused 501 to appear, the innings having lasted 9 hours 10 minutes. Then in going for an on-hit off the same bowler he was caught high with the right hand by Gunn at mid-on. His score was 160, 28 below his record test innings of 188, made in Melbourne in the 1897-8 season. On that occasion, as on this, he went to the wickets when matters were going badly against his side, and played a superb innings. On returning to the pavilion he met with a brilliant reception, the people in the stand and pavilion rising and waving their hats and handkerchiefs, and cheering enthusiastically. He was in 5 hours 20 minutes, and hit 18 fours.

END OF THE INNINGS.

Carter and Saunders added five runs, and then the latter lost his wicket in going for a close run for a back stroke by Carter to Hardstaff, whose gather and return to Humphries were accurate, and the innings, which lasted 9 hours 30 minutes, closed for 506. Carter was not out 31.

429 TO WIN.

England's heavy task was begun by Fane and Hobbs. O'Connor opened the attack, and Saunders went on at the river end. The latter's first ball struck Hobbs, who had just scored a single off O'Connor, rather severely, and after lying down for a time Noble, the Australian captain, suggested that he should retire, and come in later. Hobbs accepted the courtesy, and his place was taken by Gunn.

ENGLISH CAPTAIN BOWLED BY SAUNDERS.

Gunn splendidly back-cut Saunders for 4 and 2. Presently Fane faced Saunders, and was clean bowled for nothing, the board showing one wicket down for 8.

HUTCHINGS BOWLED BY O'CONNOR.

Hutchings then had a narrow escape of being caught and bowled by O'Connor, who measured his length along the pitch in an endeavour to secure the catch. He held the ball, but was satisfied he had not made a catch. Next ball, however, Hutchings played forward to, and amidst a tremendous shout from the crowd was clean bowled. The board showed—3-0-6.

O'CONNOR, TWO WICKETS FOR 2.

Braund came, and with a little bad luck might have obtained the cricketer's bete noir, a pair of spectacles first ball, for he stepped out of his crease to leg glance O'Connor, and missed. Carter made a big effort to get the ball, but it was too far out. However, with 15 on the board, Gunn off-drove O'Connor to Trumper at extra cover, and 3—11—15 was posted. The ex-New South Welshman had now secured two wickets for 2—and such wickets!

ENGLAND'S BAD START.

England had been in 17 minutes, and three men, whose figures in other matches stood out prominently, were out. Both men were bowling capitally, keeping a good length and getting work out of the pitch, which the English bowlers could not do. Good as the play, the Australians were now making, it should have been better, for Saunders ought to have had Hardstaff caught and bowled. He followed up a delivery, to which the Notts professional played forward and cocked it up between the wickets. Saunders made a dash, but put his hand too far, and the ball struck his wrist. Braund moved along slowly while his companion, in his own peculiar and hard-hitting style, got to 17. His best stroke to this point was an excellent square-cut. Presently Braund opened his shoulders at O'Connor, and hit him brilliantly to the off boundary.

Armstrong was tried in place of Saunders, one for 23, and Hardstaff cut him well for three, and Braund, with a swinging leg-hit, sent the ball bounding up against the fence. The Australian captain now had recourse to Macartney, who displaced O'Connor, whose figures were—10 overs, 4 maidens, 13 runs, 2 wickets.

NOTTS AND SOMERSET.

The batting now was interesting. Armstrong's leg theory had no terror for either Hardstaff or Braund, for they went for him in a delightful style, and now and again getting to him, sent the ball rattling against the fence. Fifty appeared in 64 minutes, and fours from the slow bowler soon caused the total to jump to 70. Hardstaff had been batting in a cap, and in doing so he was taking a big risk, for the sun temperature was 156, whilst in the shade it was up to 116. Now he called for a hat. Armstrong's four overs to date had produced 22, a marked difference to his Sydney bowling, and the same number of overs from the little Sydneyite had brought a debit of 17.

AUSTRALIAN CAPTAIN TAKES A HAND.

Here Noble supplanted Macartney at the bowling crease, and Braund dragged him rather well to the square leg fence, but a few minutes later Noble almost bowled Hardstaff's leg stump. Armstrong had now struck an improved spot, and now and again got some work on the ball. The leg hitting had ceased, and runs came along slowly. Hardstaff fluked three in the slips off Armstrong, and reached half a century in 68 minutes. The latter now adopted other tactics. He had up to this point no more than two men on the off—cover point and mid-off. Bowling over the wicket he "wheeled" them up on the stumps, and the fieldsmen were placed in the orthodox fashion, only two men on the on side of the wicket. Judging by the way he had both batsmen watching him off the pitch, he was breaking away. Hardstaff, however, ran out and hit the tall Victorian down the ground to the ropes.

THE HUNDRED UP.

Three figures made their appearance after the innings had lasted 1 hour 50 minutes. Saunders was brought back to the bowling crease, and Hardstaff hit him grandly twice to the on, all along the ground, and with rare power behind the bat. Braund had been moving along slowly, and was now 40.

GREAT CATCH BY MACARTNEY.

These on-hits of Hardstaff caused Noble to put Macartney at field-on. Then Hardstaff ran out to Saunders and lifted him to field-on. Macartney judged the strength of the stroke to perfection. He started running at full speed, covered about 30 yards, and with arms extended took the catch magnificently, and brought down the house. Hardstaff was out for 72, which were got in 1 hour 30 minutes, and included seven fours. It was far and away a better display than that of his first venture. His fatal stroke was a mistake he should not have made in view of the game. It was a decided risk. Four wickets were down for 128.

ANOTHER BRILLIANT CATCH.

Armstrong was the next Australian to distinguish himself in the catching line. Rhodes filled the vacancy caused by the retirement of Hardstaff, and he opened with a back-cut off O'Connor, who had just relieved Noble, to the cycle track. By a few singles he advanced to nine, at which he laid himself out for a drive over mid-off's head. He was, however, deceived by the flight of the ball, and instead of travelling where desired it went to the straight-hit to Armstrong, who, running in fast, took the ball off his toes, and England's fifth wicket was down for 138. Crawford 1 and Braund 41 played out time, the total being 139.

AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.

M. A. Noble, c Hutchings, b Barnes	15
V. Trumper, b Fielder	4
C. G. Macartney, lbw, b Braund	75
P. M'Alister, c Hutchings, b Crawford	28
W. W. Armstrong, c Humphries, b Fielder	17
V. Ransford, b Barnes	44
C. Hill, c Humphries, b Barnes	5
R. Hartigan, b Fielder	48
H. Carter, lbw, b Hutchings	24
J. B. O'Connor, not out	10
J. V. Saunders, b Fielder	1
Byes 3, leg-byes 5, wides 3, no-balls 3	14
Total	285

Fall of Wickets.—One for 11, two for 35, three for 114, four for 140, five for 160, six for 161, seven for 215, eight for 273, nine for 273, ten for 285.

BOWLING.

Bowler.	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.
Fielder	27	5	80	4
Barnes	27	8	60	3
Crawford	14	0	65	1
Rhodes	15	5	35	0
Braund	9	1	26	1
Hutchings	2	1	5	1

Second Innings.

V. Trumper, b Barnes	9
M. A. Noble, c Gunn, b Fielder	65
C. G. Macartney, b Barnes	9
P. M'Alister, lbw, b Crawford	17
W. W. Armstrong, c Hutchings, b Braund	34
J. B. O'Connor, b Crawford	20
V. Ransford, c Rhodes, b Braund	25
R. Hartigan, c substitute, b Barnes	116
C. Hill, c Gunn, b Crawford	160
H. Carter, not out	31
J. V. Saunders, run out	0
Sundries	20
Total	506

Fall of wickets.—One for 7, two for 35, three for 71, four for 127, five for 135, six for 179, seven for 180, eight for 423, nine for 501, ten for 506.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.
Fielder	23	3	81	1
Barnes	42	9	83	3
Crawford	45.5	4	113	3
Braund	23	3	85	2
Hutchings	7	0	34	0
Rhodes	27	9	81	0

Crawford and Fielder each bowled one wide.

ENGLAND.—First Innings.

F. L. Fane, run out	48
J. B. Hobbs, c Carter, b Saunders	26
G. Gunn, b O'Connor	65
K. L. Hutchings, c and b Macartney	23
L. C. Braund, b Macartney	0
J. Hardstaff, b O'Connor	61
W. R. Rhodes, c Carter, b O'Connor	38
S. F. Barnes, c and b Armstrong	12
J. N. Crawford, b Armstrong	62
J. Humphries, run out	7
A. Fielder, not out	6
Sundries	21
Total	363

Fall of wickets.—One for 68, two for [illegible], three for 133, four for 133, five for 194, six for 277, seven for 282, eight for 300, nine for 303, ten for 363.

BOWLING.

Bowler.	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.
O'Connor	40	8	110	3
Saunders	36	6	83	1
Macartney	18	3	49	2
Noble	18	4	38	0
Armstrong	18	4	75	2
Hartigan	2	0	7	0

O'Connor bowled four no-balls and one wide, Saunders bowled one wide, and Noble one no-ball.

Second Innings.

J. B. Hobbs (hurt, retired for time)	1
F. L. Fane, b Saunders	0
K. L. Hutchings, b O'Connor	0
G. Gunn, c Trumper, b O'Connor	11
L. C. Braund, not out	41
J. Hardstaff, c Macartney, b Saunders	72
W. R. Rhodes, c Armstrong, b O'Connor	9
J. W. Crawford, not out	1
Sundries	4
Five wickets for	139

Fall of wickets: One for 8, two for 9, three for 15, four for 128, five for 138.

Bowling.—O'Connor, three for 19; Saunders, two for 42; Armstrong, none for 43; Macartney, none for 17; Noble, none for 14.

THE FOURTH TEST.

COTTER'S INDISPOSITION.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

It was stated to-day that it was extremely doubtful whether Cotter would be able to play in the fourth test at Melbourne; or, indeed, again this season. His medical adviser, however, gave a more cheering report late to-night, when he stated that he would not be surprised to see the fast bowler in the next test match.

INTEREST IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

Immense interest is being taken in the test match. It is predicted that Australia will win.

NEWCASTLE.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

At the Newcastle Police Court to-day, before Mr. G. F. Scott, Richard Priestly Wells, 49, lately secretary of the Newcastle and Northumberland Benevolent Society, appeared on three charges of stealing sums of £5 18s 6d, £23 9s 8d, and £1 4s 6d respectively, a total of £32 9s 8d, the property of the society.

On the application of Senior-detective M'Hattie, the accused was remanded until January 22. Bail was allowed, self in £80, and two sureties of £40 each.

A SEAMAN KILLED.

Hamilton M'Lennan, seaman on the American ship Abner Coburn, lying at the A.A. Company's ballast wharf, was found dead on the vessel this afternoon. Deceased was working 'tween decks, and when the men assembled for their evening meal M'Lennan was missing. A search was made, and his body was found in the bottom of the forehold. His head was badly crushed. He had apparently fallen from the deck above. It is believed deceased had relatives residing at Balmain. The body was conveyed to the morgue, and an inquest will be held to-morrow.

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Moresby, s, for Solomon Islands, via Sydney, with 900 tons coal; Blue Bell, bq, for Pisco, with 1381 tons coal; Highland Monarch, s, for Capetown, via Wallaroo, with 3020 tons coal, 3511 hardwood sleepers, 25 horses, 2 cows, 3½ tons bran, and 10cwt hay.

THE CANNING PARTY.

MR. BLAKE'S CHARGES.

HIS EVIDENCE ABOUT CRUELTY.

PERTH (W.A.), Wednesday.

An inquiry into the charges made by Mr. E. J. Blake against the Canning expedition was opened in Perth to-day.

Mr. Blake gave evidence of the natives having been captured by the party and compelled to go along chained by the necks to a camel. He also accused the members of the party of gross immorality. At one portion of the trip, he said, Constable Thompson sent out a native named Charlie. The native bolted between Wyunna and North Pole. On reaching the latter place Goodwin went back and sent out another native about midnight. The native's name was Harry, and he was at that time under the influence of liquor. Thompson brought the native along and put a chain round him and fastened him to a tree. The native said, "What for this? I no go Kimberley. I've no blanket." The native further said, "You — whitefellow make me drunken fellow. Send me longa Kimberley."

Witness heard Thompson say: "This is the crookest thing ever I did." Thompson gave him whisky and told him he was only going a short distance. Witness could not say how long the chain was on, but he supposed there would be about 5ft for the natives to play on. Witness gave the native half his blankets, as he took pity on him. Goodwin offered to bring out blankets. Next day he was handcuffed by a chain to the camel, which was carrying the boring plant. The native had about 7ft of chain from the point of attachment. If the load had slipped the native would have been in danger. While the camel was going the native had to go. About eight miles out the camel threw its load, but escaped injury. On June 16 Harry broke away at Weld Springs and ran back. He had carried the chain round his neck night and day for six days.

Further hearing was adjourned.

SENT ON A MESSAGE.

AN INFANT'S DEATH.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A shocking fatality occurred in North Carlton to-day, when Vera May Rowan, aged 2 years and 10 months, was run over by a tram and killed. The child's mother had sent her across the street on a message. As the little girl was returning she attempted to pass between the dummy and the car of a tram moving northwards. The car knocked her down and the wheels passed over her legs and body, inflicting terrible injuries. One leg was completely severed.

SHOP ASSISTANTS' FEDERATION.

UNIVERSAL SATURDAY HALF-HOLIDAY.

MEMBERS WILL BECOME VOLUNTEERS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The conference of interstate delegates representing the shop assistants' unions was continued to-day.

Mr. Stuart Robertson, M.L.A. (N.S.W.), moved,—"That in the opinion of this conference, the establishment of a universal Saturday half-holiday is in the general interests of shop assistants and shopkeepers." He said inasmuch as the adoption of the proposal would tend to keep the family circle intact, it was of national importance that each and every man should enjoy the same holiday. He intended, at the earliest opportunity, to introduce a measure in the New South Wales Legislative Assembly amending the Early Closing Act to provide for a Saturday half-holiday for all shops in the metropolitan district.

Mr. Bennetts (N.S.W.), who seconded the motion, said that nearly all the proprietors of big shops were in favour of universal half-holiday on Saturday. The question gained still more importance when it was regarded in conjunction with another great problem—that of national defence. The shopkeeper and the staff assistant were anxious to contribute to the defence of the country. If a universal half-holiday were adopted shop assistants would be able to join the volunteer forces, and thus make a contribution in the most practical and truly effective manner possible. (Hear, hear.)

Both Mr. Farrell (Vic.) and Mr. Duffy (Vic.) expressed the opinion that a universal Saturday half-holiday would go far towards the solution of the "empty churches" problem.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Bennetts (N.S.W.), moved that the conference should be held annually, and that the next place of meeting should be Sydney, in January, 1909.

The motion was agreed to.

It was decided that the annual contribution to the federal union should be 1s per member per annum, despite Mr. Robertson's expression of fear that the executive might not be able to carry on the business of the federation effectively on so small a capitation. It was also decided that all branches of the federation should have full power to fix the amount of entrance fees and contributions, and have full control of their own funds.

The delegates were entertained at a smoke concert to-night.

Mr. Stuart Robertson, M.L.A. (N.S.W.) who proposed the toast of "The Commonwealth Parliament," said he regarded the Commonwealth Parliament as the workers' salvation, inasmuch as its liberal laws were far ahead of everything else in the legislation of the various States.

The Postmaster-General, Mr. Mauger, said he felt certain that it would be in the best interests of all if they could gain a universal Saturday half-holiday.

The Chief Secretary, Sir Alex. Peacock, also expressed himself in favour of the proposal.

NEWCASTLE COMMERCE.

COAL TRADE EXPANSION.

FIVE MILLION TONS EXPORTED.

WANT OF LOADING FACILITIES.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The trade of the port of Newcastle during the year just ended has been one of record activity. The statistics compiled by the Sub-collector of Customs at Newcastle, and published below, show general increases in all departments—coal exports, imports, revenue, and shipping—and illustrate how rapidly the port is building up a coal trade which bids fair to place it in the first rank of the world's coaling ports.

The exports of coal to places outside the State during the year amounted to over four and half-million tons; or, if exports to Sydney are included, over five millions tons. This large total would have been exceeded but for the strikes—both general and intermittent—which occurred during the year. Notwithstanding the fact wages were on a higher plane than for four years past, the year just ended was notable for discontent amongst the miners and small strikes at the collieries. The year is also worthy of record as being that in which practically the whole of the coal hewn in the Newcastle and South Maitland collieries was controlled by the "Vend."

The figures quoted below stand as an argument for immediately improving the facilities for shipping the coal, and for maintaining those facilities so that they will be adequate for the ever increasing requirements. During the last two years alone there has been an increase in exports of coal of over one million tons, and yet the loading facilities of the port have remained almost stationary. Our exports of coal last year were worth about two and a quarter millions sterling, and this year, with coal selling at the increased price, it promises to return a much larger amount. The trade is worth catering for by giving vessels trading to the port a guarantee of quick despatch.

The figures compiled by the Customs authorities show that over half a million tons of coal were exported beyond the State last year in excess of that of the preceding year, or an increase of over a million tons in two years. The export from Newcastle last year reached the record total of 4,546,250 tons, valued at £2,016,387, the increase in value being £432,975. This does not include coal sent to Sydney, which may be roughly estimated at half a million tons, which brings the total exports to over five million tons. As usual Victoria was the largest consumer of northern coal, taking 933,568 tons, South Australia being next with 611,824 tons, while New Zealand slightly exceeded her imports of the previous year, taking 338,721 tons. Foreign shipments also show an increase. Of the 2,313,616 tons sent to foreign destination, 736,837 tons were exported to Chili, 351,755 tons to the Philippines, 71,212 tons to Hongkong, and 73,479 tons to India. The most remarkable increase in the foreign trade was shown, however, in the exports to U.S.A. West Coast ports, 553,665 tons being sent to those ports, compared with 91,190 tons during the preceding year.

The general exports show the very large increase of £394,928 over that of 1906, the principal items showing increase being silver and lead bullion, copper, glycerine, wool, and frozen meats. Exports of timber have largely decreased. The imports have also substantially increased, being £137,775 above the previous year. The revenue collected constitutes a record for the port, being £41,411 in excess of that for 1906. The shipping returns also show large expansion. The inward tonnage amounted to 3,181,858, and outward 3,081,146 tons.

COAL EXPORTS.

The appended table shows the quantity and value of coal exported and transferred to places beyond the State during the years 1906 and 1907 respectively:—

1906. Tons.	1906. Value.	1907. Tons.	1907. Value.
3,975,655	£1,583,412	4,546,250	£2,016,387

An increase of 570,595 tons, valued at £432,975.

Below will be found the quantity of coal exported to each State of the Commonwealth and New Zealand and to foreign destinations during the two years respectively. Increased exports will be noticed in nearly every case:—

Exported to	1906.	1907.
Victoria, tons	878,954	933,568
Queensland, tons	65,797	79,550
South Australia, tons	491,977	611,824
Western Australia, tons	102,220	151,880
Tasmania, tons	124,785	117,121
New Zealand, tons	333,916	338,721
Total	2,057,559	2,232,634
Total foreign	1,918,096	2,313,616

The subjoined table shows the principal items of export other than coal (not including interstate transfers) for the years 1906 and 1907 respectively:—

	1906.	1907.
Bullion, silver, oz	46,360	342,968
Ditto, lead, cwt	15,800	72,035
Copper, ingots, cwt	15,774	39,149
Glycerine, unrefined, lbs	127,508	267,514
Meats, frozen, cwt	25,093	42,098
Railway sleepers, No.	411,540	555,538
Timber, rough, super feet	2,158,906	1,925,706
Wool, greasy, bales	15,609	24,170

	1906.	1907.	Increase.
Value of general exports	£584,914	£979,842	£394,928

The values of the principal items of imports (including interstate transfers) for 1906 and 1907 respectively are:—

	1906.	1907.
Apparel and softgoods	£120,440	£117,782
Iron, galvanised	54,706	64,367
Ores	370,616	422,970
Sugar	45,791	45,958
Timber	22,282	30,423
Machinery	27,120	50,089
Total	£1,255,621	£1,393,396
Increase, £137,775.		

REVENUE.

The revenue collected at the Newcastle Customs-house during the years 1906 and 1907 respectively was as follow:—Harbour and light rates, £15,663; pilotage, £15,122; removals, £8273; duty and excise, £120,424; ad valorem, £38,945; miscellaneous, £2815; total, £204,256. The total revenue collected during 1906 was £162,844, the increase last year being £41,411.

SHIPPING.

The following return shows the number and tonnage of vessels, exclusive of coasters, entered and cleared during the past 12 months, compared with the preceding year:—

INWARDS.

	No.	Tons.		No.	Tons.
1906	1703	2,809,632	1907	1886	3,181,858

OUTWARDS.

	No.	Tons.		No.	Tons.
1906	1702	2,786,041	1907	1806	3,081,146

"AND THIS IS FEDERATION."

MR. BENT ON STAMP DUTIES.

VICTORIA MUST FOLLOW NEW SOUTH WALES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Mr. M'Kenzie, M.L.A., interviewed the Premier to-day regarding the action of the New South Wales Parliament in abolishing duty stamps on bills of exchange. The existing stamp duty in Victoria is 2s per £100.

"It was stated to me," said Mr. Bent subsequently, "that the abolition of the duty stamps in New South Wales had had the effect of injuring Victorian business, and that nearly all our border business is now done in New South Wales instead of in this State. The neighbouring State has apparently secured a big advantage in regard to these exchange transactions, and Victoria is losing the business. It was stated that one firm had transferred business that amounted to £40,000 per year. There was a suggestion last year that we should abolish our duty. I asked Mr. M'Kenzie if it would now be necessary in the event of our deciding to fall into line with New South Wales on this question to introduce legislation, and he answered in the affirmative. I intend visiting Sydney in the near future, and this is one of the questions I shall take over for discussion with Mr. Wade. I am also going to see him about auctioneers' licenses."

Mr. Bent added that he had also been approached on the subject of the duty stamps by Victorian bankers, and he had arranged to discuss the question with them on February 4. Returning to the general question of the action of New South Wales in abolishing its duty stamps, Mr. Bent remarked with much feeling, "And this is federation."

SUPPOSED ANTHRAX OUTBREAK.

PADDOCK QUARANTINED.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The stock inspector, Mr. Powell, accompanied by Mr. C. Vigner, inspector of dairies, made an investigation yesterday into the outbreak of anthrax at Hillsborough. They found that three cows had died, and that Dr. Harbison, who examined the blood of the animals, had pronounced the disease to be anthrax.

They found that one animal which had just died showed symptoms of anthrax. Blood was taken from the animal to be sent to Sydney for bacteriological examination.

Mr. Powell states that it is impossible to make any definite statement as to what the disease is, but he presumes it is anthrax. The paddock where the stock was depasturing has been quarantined.

CONRAD-STANNITE MINERS.

SETTLEMENT ARRIVED AT.

HOWELL, Wednesday.

Everything has been settled quietly at the Conrad-Stannite Mines, Limited, where the management asked the miners to accept a reduction in wages on account of the low price of metals. The miners are now employed by contractors at 10s a shift, and truckers at 8s 6d. A number of contracts have been started, but there is still a lot of unemployed. The mine is now in full swing.

TRESIDDER V. WEBB.

SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

WEBB'S IMPROVED ROWING.

WELLINGTON, Jan. 10.

With the arrival of the challenger for the sculling championship of the world, and the approach of the day of trial, interest in the Webb-Tresidder match is increasing. Tresidder was accorded an enthusiastic welcome on reaching Wellington from Sydney, and the townspeople of Wanganui, who are deservedly proud in the possession of the present champion, did the visitor honour when he arrived there. The Sydney man has a good trainer and pacer, and it is evident that he is in dead earnest in his preparations for the struggle. Of course, the wish may be to some extent father to the thought, but there is a general impression throughout the Dominion that the New Zealander will win. It is urged in support of this view that Webb was not really extended, either in the contest with Stanbury on Boxing Day, of 1906, or in that on the Parramatta with Towns last August, while in addition Webb is considered an improved man in experience, technique, skill, and probably in pace. In all parts of New Zealand there is talk of the numbers who are going to Wanganui to see the race, and special trains are already announced.

I notice that Tresidder, in an interview with a Wanganui "Chronicle" representative, spoke hopefully, but by no means too confidently, about the match. He put on a little weight in the run across from Sydney, and now scales about 12st 6lb. He feels particularly well, and hopes to start on the day of reckoning in really fine condition. He is glad Towns did not win the match with Webb, because he (Tresidder) has been anxious to meet the Wanganui man. Speaking of younger scullers who show promise, Tresidder said that for a number of years sculling was practically dead in Australia, but it had revived remarkably during the last couple of years, and there were now many budding scullers. A number of new boats had been built, others had been ordered, and still more would be under way as soon as their prospective owners could get together sufficient cash. Among the most prominent rowing men he mentioned Thoroughgood, Fogwell, H. Pearce, C. Towns, Bob Green, E. Laycock, as Australians; and last, but not least, Arnst, the New Zealander, who has recently been some time in Australia. "There is only one opinion of Arnst," said Tresidder. "It is considered by nine out of ten that he is the coming champion. He is young, powerful, and a fine athlete in every way. He only needs a little experience. It is reported that Arnst has thrown out a challenge to the winner of the match between myself and Webb, but I have heard nothing definite."

Tresidder made a few remarks of special interest to New South Wales, and, indeed, to Australia generally, about the difficulty experienced in raising stakes. He expressed the opinion that individual scullers should not have to get the money for a championship race; it should be made a national affair. He suggested that the proceeds of sports meetings and similar functions should be devoted to a fund to be at the disposal of any sculler who had shown that he was entitled to contest the championship. In this way the people, at the cost of a shilling or two each, would be able to help a sculler to bring honour to his and their country. Referring to his own case, Tresidder said the whole stake had been raised by the people of Newcastle; it was not a New South Wales affair at all.

CASUALTIES.

FALL FROM A DRAY.

BLAYNEY, Wednesday.

Mr. James Matthews, a well-known farmer and grazier here, met with a painful accident yesterday. He was standing in a dray talking to a friend, when the horse, usually quiet, became restive and plunged, throwing Mr. Matthews out backwards. He fell on his head and shoulder, and lay unconscious, being extricated with difficulty owing to the restiveness of the horse. He was considerably wounded.

FINGERS CRUSHED BETWEEN ROLLERS.

CONDOBOLIN, Wednesday.

A boy named Edwards, son of Mr. Frank Edwards, Cudgellico, with his mother, was cutting chaff. He put his hand in the feed rollers, and his fingers were terribly crushed. He was brought to Condobolin and attended to by Dr. Kearney.

AN EXCITING BOLT.

CONDOBOLIN, Wednesday.

A team of ten horses, driven by John Bouffler, carrier, bolted yesterday on the Euabalong-road. Both shaft horses were killed.

RAILWAY CYCLIST INJURED.

WOLLONGONG, Wednesday.

A railway employee, Lenna Robson, was seriously injured at Bellambi yesterday afternoon. He was returning to the station on a tricycle, after having been engaged at the signals, when at the intersection of the South Bulli and Government lines at South Bulli the company's coal train, which was proceeding to the jetty with a load of coal, struck the tricycle, throwing Robson some considerable distance. He sustained concussion of the brain. The tricycle was broken to atoms. This morning the patient was considerably improved.

A FALL OF TWENTY FEET.

WOLLONGONG, Wednesday.

Walter Moss, a carpenter, employed at the Mount Pleasant Colliery, met with a serious accident this morning. He was standing on top of a ladder, fixing the roof of the building, when the ladder slipped, and he fell over 20ft, breaking three ribs.

A BOY'S DROWNING.

BRAVE ATTEMPT AT RESCUE.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

On Monday afternoon Andrew Herbert Wilkinson, aged 10 years, was drowned at M'Kechnie's Dam, St. Arnaud. William Holmes, aged 12 years, made two gallant attempts to rescue his companion, swimming in twice to try to pull him out, but without success, owing to Wilkinson's struggles. Yesterday the Coroner commended Holmes for his bravery.

A GIRL'S MISTAKE.

MELBOURNE, Tuesday.

Eileen Coghlan, 22 years of age, was admitted to the Melbourne Hospital to-day suffering from poisoning by permanganate of potash crystals. The girl took some crystals in her hand with the intention of cleaning her teeth, and swallowed some. Her condition is serious.

PECULIAR POISONING CASE.

MELBOURNE, Tuesday.

A peculiar case of poisoning occurred at Harcourt yesterday. W. H. Symes, an orchardist, was preparing a spraying mixture, containing arsenic. The mixture boiled over, some of it getting into the kettle of water from which tea was afterwards made, and drunk by Symes, a lad named Roland Wickham, and a labourer named James Billman. Soon afterwards the three developed symptoms of poisoning. Billman was very badly affected, but he is now recovering. The others suffered only slightly from the effects of the poison.

COBAR, Wednesday.

Herbert Corbett, who met with an accident in Canbelego mine on Saturday, and whose leg was amputated in Cobar Hospital, died this morning.

HOBART, Tuesday.

A resident of Uxbridge, named William McGuire, was found dead yesterday on the track leading from Uxbridge to the Upper Plenty. A magazine shotgun was beside him. He had been strange in his manner for some time.

WEST WYALONG, Wednesday.

Mr. B. A. Murray, manager of Wyalong No. 2 station, met with a severe accident on Monday. He was riding a thoroughbred stallion when the animal backed and threw him heavily, causing a fracture of the arm and other injuries.

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT.

BURIED FOR SEVEN HOURS.

ADELONG, Wednesday.

A fatal accident occurred at Gibraltar mine yesterday. Daniel Wiles, Martin Donnellan, and Arthur Tillett, tributers, were running old stulls, when the rearing timber of the pass broke below them, and the ground ran away. Donnellan and Wiles got safely on the firm landing. Tillett was carried away and buried. After seven hours' hard work by a gang of miners the body was recovered at 11 o'clock last night.

THE GREAT MORNING DRINK.
"MIGHTY ALOK" clears the head and regulates the liver.
"Usual" or "Extra Bitter."
The original famous Kola Nut Tonic. Insist upon being served with "Alok" (trade mark).—Advt.

VICTORIA.

TYPHOID DECREASING.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The number of typhoid fever cases reported during the last 12 months, 1030, is smaller than in any other period for the last 19 years.

MELBOURNE SHORT OF WATER.

The intake into the Yan Yean reservoir during the past 12 months has been the lowest since 1896. The Metropolitan Board of Works has issued notices warning citizens to avoid waste. The shortage is due to the abnormally dry winter.

SIZE OF CORNSACKS.

No decision was arrived at by the Cabinet regarding the proposal to limit the size of cornsacks to 220lb.

Speaking at the Flemington branch of the A.N.A. to-night, the Postmaster-General, Mr. Mauger, said he had been told that one of the members had been carrying bags all day, weighing 280lb. It was a shame, and Mr. Chapman, the Minister for Customs, had determined to stand to his 200lb limit. (Cheers.) Men must be put before manufacturers, agriculture, and wealth. (Cheers.)

GREAT INCREASE IN TEMPERATURE.

The temperature in Melbourne to-day went up nearly 30 degrees. Shortly before 2 o'clock the shade temperature was 102 degrees. In the country Swan Hill registered 117, Wycheproof 115, Donald and Booth 113, Yarroweyah, Beulah, Hopetoun, and Charlton 112, Murtoa, Minyip and Lubeck 111, St. James 110.

THE FIJIAN CRICKETERS.

Prince Kadava's Bau team of Fijian cricketers played a match against a district eleven on the Wangaratta ground this afternoon. There was a good attendance, and an interesting game resulted in a draw. The Fijian team scored 146, the Wangaratta team scored 135 for eight wickets. The members of the Fijian team will arrive in Melbourne to-morrow.

ANSELL GIVES HIMSELF UP.

Mr. Henry Ansell, agent for the A.M.P. Society, whose disappearance from Footscray was reported, has given himself up to Detective Britt, who arrested him on a warrant charging him with the embezzlement of £5 4s, moneys of the A.M.P. Society.

THE WOMEN'S HOSPITAL.

£11,347 FOR THE BUILDING.

A sum of £11,347 has been collected in aid of the Lady Mayoress' fund for rebuilding the Women's Hospital. That amount included a Government grant of £5000. The work will be commenced immediately.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

CONTINUED HOT WEATHER.

HORSES BURNT TO DEATH.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The maximum temperature to-day was 111.4.

Early this morning a fire occurred in Messrs. Henry Berry and Co.'s packing establishment, Divett-place, and in a comparatively short time the establishment, which carried a large stock of grocery stores, was a hopeless wreck. Much of the stock was of a highly inflammable character, such as oils, turpentine, eucalyptus, paper bags, and sugar. In the stables were seven fine horses, which were burnt to death, while another was so injured that it had to be shot. Messrs. Berry and Co. lost all their vehicles and harness. The Standard shoe-leather factory had a narrow escape.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

CONNOLLY V THE "SUNDAY TIMES."

VERDICT OF 1s CONFIRMED.

PERTH, Wednesday.

The libel case in which P. A. Connolly, racehorse owner, was awarded a verdict for 1s damages, against the "Sunday Times," came before Mr. Justice Burnside again to-day, when the question of costs was argued. Mr. Justice Burnside said 1s had been awarded as the estimate of the man's character. He had decided to enter judgment for plaintiff for 1s damages, but would make no order as to costs.

NEW ZEALAND.

THE DOMINION FLOURISHING.

RECORD EXPORT YEAR.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

Statistics show that the value of exports from the Dominion for the year just ended was £20,069,000, which is a record. The imports were £16,982,046.

The population of the Dominion at the same date was 983,071, of which 929,000 are Europeans. The Registrar-General estimates that at the present rate of increase the population in the second half of the present year will reach 1,000,000.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

A fire at Hastings, starting at Johnson's restaurant, destroyed 13 buildings. Johnson has been arrested on a charge of arson.

William Moon, caretaker of the Victoria Park, near Christchurch, was badly burned assisting to extinguish a grass fire. He is not expected to live. Moon had advanced into the gully, and was caught between two fires.

TASMANIA.

A NEW INDUSTRY.

LAUNCESTON, Tuesday.

This morning a small deputation waited upon Sir William Lyne and sought his support to a certain industry that it is proposed to start in Tasmania, and in which the water-power of the State would be largely used. The Minister was asked to aid the industry by a protective duty. Sir William Lyne gave a sympathetic reply, and promised to do his best to help the industry.

LOCKOUT AT MAGNET MINE.

HOBART, Tuesday.

It was reported last evening that a lockout was announced at the Magnet mine, Waratah, about 200 men being affected. The cause of the trouble is said to be a proposal to lower wages.

SOUTH MAITLAND COALFIELD.

CESSNOCK, Tuesday.

The local collieries worked well for the fortnight just ended. Aberdare and Aberdare-Extended worked full time, but Neath lost a few days owing to the finishing of preparations for the working of the working shaft. Neath, however, is now making up for lost time, and the colliery already shows a substantial increase in the output. The other surface improvements at this colliery are well advanced; the screens will shortly be finished, and the engine-house is nearing completion.

The residents of Greta are quite enthusiastic over the prospects of the mining boom being revived in that locality. On Monday last a start was made with the sinking of a shaft on Mr. Alexander Shedden, jun.'s, mineral lease; about 24 hands are at present engaged on the work. On the same day a consignment of rails was unloaded for the forming of the branch line from the Great Northern line to the Wyburn colliery site. Visions of past prosperity now float before old residents' eyes, and people who were willing to sell out for the proverbial song a few months ago, now announce their intention of holding on to their property. During the growth of the towns in the South Maitland coalfields many houses and shops were removed from Greta to the younger towns—to Cessnock especially. Now, however, those who did not remove their houses are congratulating themselves, for already numbers of the empty houses are being taken by workmen engaged on the mining leases.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Messrs. Elder, Smith, and Co. report:—Cattle: 400 were yarded, forming a good selection, 450 being from the north, 200 from the lakes and south-east, the balance local. There was an excellent demand; prices again advanced. Prime beef sold at from 18/ to 20/. We sold 100 cattle. Sheep: We yarded 6000, a large proportion inferior. The market was extremely dull, owing to the oppressive weather. Prime sorts were firm, others easier. Shippers took 400, and graziers 1000. Quotations: Prime merino wethers, 16/ [illegible] 14/; prime cross-bred wethers, 16/ to 18/6 [illegible]. Lambs: We yarded [illegible], which were knocking the values for best lambs practically unchanged. Other sorts [illegible]. We sold [illegible] sheep.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—Jan. 15.

Yawata Maru, J.M.S., 3817 tons, Captain K. Homma, from Yokohama, via Thursday Island, Townsville, and Brisbane. Passengers—Mr. A. Cormack, Mr. T. Glass, Mr. W. A. Parker, Major H. Deakyne, Mrs. Deakyne, Miss Deakyne, Mr. R. Wrigley, Mrs. Glass, Miss N. A. Parker, Mr. S. Ijuna, Mr. D. M'Junes, Miss K. J. Colcino, Mr. W. H. Fell, Mrs. P. Williams. For Melbourne: Mr. G. L. Laferme, Miss V. Plant, Mrs. Laferme; and 2 Chinese in the steerage for Sydney, and 4 for Melbourne. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Riverina, s, 4758 tons, Captain F. Sherriff, from Fremantle, Albany, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Passengers—Saloon 83, second saloon 79, and steerage 46. Huddart, Parker, and Co. Proprietary, Limited, agents.

Westralia, s, 2884 tons, Captain Dunsford, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker, and Co. Proprietary, Ltd., agents.

Namoi, s, 1414 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, agents.

City of Grafton, s, 898 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Clarence River. North Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Bellinger, s, 229 tons, Captain Lacey, from Camden Haven. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Ysabel, schr, 148 tons, Captain Ross, from Auckland. Kauri Timber Company, agents.

Slidre, s, 3267 tons, Captain Christiansen, from Melbourne, via Newcastle. Wm. Crosby and Co., agents.

Archer, s, 694 tons, Captain Walker, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H. R. S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Tarcoola, s, 2646 tons, Captain Hayman, from Brisbane. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Manuka, s, 4505 tons, Captain Phillips, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Hymettus, s, 4006 tons, Captain M'Donald, from Calcutta, via Colombo, Fremantle, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Arch. Currie and Co., agents.

Australic, s, 4000 tons, Captain Schmidt, from Sundswall, via Melbourne. Birt and Co., Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—Jan. 15.

Pacifique, s, for Noumea.
Apolda, s, for Brisbane.
Warrego, s, for Brisbane.
Moorabool, s, for Melbourne, via Newcastle.
Quito, s, for Newcastle.
Helen Denny, bq, for Wellington, via Newcastle.
Klas, s, for Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—Jan. 16.

Maheno, s, for Auckland and New Zealand ports; Westralia, s, for Hobart; Hillmeads, s, and Coomonderry, s, for Moruya; Kempsey, s, and Yulgilbar, s, for Macleay River; Pyrmont, s, for Port Macquarie; Corra Lynn, s, for Tweed River; Tuncurry, s, for Cape Hawke; Ramornie, s, for Richmond River; Bellinger, s, for Camden Haven; City of Grafton, s, for Richmond River; Rockfily, s, for Nambucca River; Pilbara, s, for Fremantle.

CLEARANCES.—Jan. 15.

Celtic Queen, sh, 1738 tons, Captain Jones, for Melbourne.
Apolda, s, 4060 tons, Captain Orgel, for Brisbane.
Pacifique, s, 1938 tons, Captain Bourge, for Noumea.
Dawn, s, 522 tons, Captain Eaton, for Bundaberg.
Eurypylus, s, 3570 tons, Captain Wilkinson, for Java and Singapore, via Newcastle.
St. Marys Bay, bq, 1115 tons, Captain Robertson, for West Coast, via Newcastle.

ENTERED OUTWARDS.—Jan. 15.

Riverina, s, for Fremantle, via ports; Yawata Maru, J.M.S., for Japan, via ports; Yawata Maru, J.M.S., for Melbourne; Indradevi, s, for Brisbane, via ports.

IMPORTS.—Jan. 15.

Yawata Maru, s, from Japan, via ports: 21 cs curios, 38 cs bamboo baskets, 20 cs camphor, 38 bls ginger, 14 cs chillies, 74 pcs matting, 12 cs shrimp sauce, 1043 pkgs rice, 700 cs peanuts, 28 bls rattan chairs, 280 pkgs tea, 670 cs fish oil, 21 cs porcelain, and sundries.

Riverina, s, from Fremantle, via ports: 120 cs starch, 30 cs cheese, 26 cs effects, 57 cs c cylinders, 145 bgs onions, 665 bgs potatoes, 82 bgs malt, 15 cs honey, 229 bgs maize, 780 bgs flour, 521 bgs ground bark, 1050 bags wheat, 20 bgs bacon, 62 cs eggs, 51 cheese, 111 cs wine, 3334 bls chaff, 45 cs soap, 20 cs agr. goods, 21 cs cordials, 200 bgs barley, 532 bgs salt, 160 pkgs tongues, a quantity of fruit, timber, and sundries.

Suva, s, from Fiji: 11 cs exhibits, 12 cs cartridges, 23 bgs skins and hides, 2035 sks copra, a quantity of returned empties, fruits, and sundries.

Ysabel, bqtn, from Auckland: 125,000ft of kauri timber.

EXPORTS.—Jan. 15.

Pacifique, s, for Noumea: 220 bgs sugar, 10 sks rice, 11 bgs peanuts, 25 kgs beef, 40 cs salmon, 15 cs beer, 100 cs benzine, 755 cs oil, 465 sks flour, 142 bgs bran, 113 bgs pollard, 10 sks oats, 21 bls brooms, 12 cs kerosene, 131 bgs onions, 346 sks potatoes, 20 cs meat, 175 tins biscuits, fruit, timber, and sundries.

Celtic Queen, sh, for Mexillones: 2755 tons South Clifton coal.

The 5000-ton coastal steamer Riverina, of the Huddart Parker line, arrived at the wharf at 1 p.m. yesterday from Fremantle, via Adelaide and Melbourne. Captain Sherriff reports having left the Western Australian port at noon on Saturday, the 4th, calling at Albany, which was left at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, the 5th, and arriving at Adelaide at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 10th. Departure from Adelaide was taken on Friday last, and from Melbourne on Monday, arriving at Sydney Heads at noon yesterday, after a smart run. The Riverina has a large number of passengers for this port, and a heavy cargo, and is due to sail on Saturday next for Melbourne, Adelaide, and Western Australia.

The Russian barque Locher, which arrived a few days ago in ballast from Gatico, Chili, was last evening removed from her anchorage in Double Bay to the Pyrmont wharf, to load South Clifton coal for the West Coast of South America.

The British barque St. Mary's Bay will leave Sydney to-night in tow for Newcastle, with part of her original cargo of general merchandise from Glasgow.

The Adelaide S.S. Company's steamer Marloo will be floated into Woolwich Dock to-day for an overhaul.

The Currie liner Fortunatus was yesterday floated into Woolwich Dock for cleaning and painting.

The French mail steamer Australien will at 5 o'clock this morning be removed from the stream and berthed at the M.M. Company's wharf at the Quay.

The barquentine Ysabel, which arrived last evening with a cargo of timber from New Zealand, encountered strong north-easterly winds all the way across.

MOVEMENTS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Macedonia, from London, via ports, is due at Sydney to-day. She signalled Green Cape at 6.25 last evening.

The R.M.S. Ormuz is due at Brisbane to-day from Sydney. She passed Richmond River Heads at 3.20 yesterday afternoon.

The R.M.S. Britannia, from London, bound to Sydney, left Colombo on Sunday last, 12th inst, for Fremantle.

The G.M.S. Scharnhorst, from Bremen and Southampton, bound to Sydney, left Melbourne yesterday, and is due here to-morrow.

PASSENGERS BY THE TAIYUAN.

THURSDAY ISLAND, Wednesday.

The China Navigation Company's steamer Taiyuan, from Japan and Hongkong, bound to Sydney, called here to-day. Her passengers are:—

For Brisbane: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard.

For Sydney: Mesdames Blair and Lamb, Messrs. H. Jackson, T. Ahrons, Lamb, Kirkpatrick, Cameron, and Rev. Father Wright.

For Melbourne: Mr. A. Newborn and Captain Robinson.

THE SUVA, FROM THE ISLANDS.

The A.U.S.N. Company's steamer Suva, from Fiji, berthed at the Lime-street wharf early yesterday morning. Heavy gales were encountered on the voyage from Sydney to Suva, but fine weather ruled on the return journey.

The passengers by the Suva were:—Mrs. J. L. Hunt, Misses Marshall, Mowitt, and Hunt, Messrs. J. L. Hunt, M. E. Price, A. Sharpe, J. E. Puckering, M. M'Kenzie, A. E. Hill, Palmer, F. A. Reade, N. Calder, R. Twentyman, Stewart, Brewster, A. E. Adams, A. Cleevely, E. H. Woods, Bult, Rodgers, Leslie, Jones, Rowe, J. Grubb, George Heng Lee, W. J. Kincaird, Pritchett, L. J. Le Fevre, C. M'Evoy, W. S. Collins, J. Moncur, J. Mortimer, J. R. Mayers, J. M'Clusky, D. Miller, Clarkson, and Captain Woolston.

THE CORRA LYNN REFLOATED.

The small steamer Corra Lynn, which took the ground on the crossing at the Manning River Heads on Tuesday evening, floated off at high water during the night, and sailed for Sydney at 5.56 a.m. yesterday.

MAIDEN TRIP OF THE ORARA.

The North Coast S. N. Company's new steamer Orara proceeded to Mort's Dock yesterday afternoon, where she will dock for cleaning and painting prior to taking up her running in the Byron Bay trade.

It is intended to despatch her at 5 p.m. from the company's Druitt-street Wharf on Wednesday next, 22nd inst, for Byron Bay direct, and she will leave that port again at 7 p.m. on Saturday, arriving in Sydney about the same hour on Sunday evening.

ATTEMPTS TO SALVE THE MILDURA.

Acting under instructions from London, the management of the A.U.S.N. Company, Limited, has organised another party to try to salve the steamer Mildura, which stranded on the North-west Cape, Western Australia, last year. Captain R. S. Taylor has been appointed to the command of the expedition, and he will be accompanied on this occasion by Captain Sim, of the A.U.S.N. Company. The latter, with a number of engineers, tradesmen, and labourers, arrived at Sydney on Monday last by the Wodonga. From Sydney they journeyed overland to Adelaide, where they join the Kanowna. Captain Taylor proceeds direct to Adelaide to join the Kanowna.

The Kanowna is due at Fremantle on January 23, and the salvage party will there board the Paroo, a vessel which at one time belonged to the A.U.S.N. Company, but is now owned by the Western Australian Shipping Company, and the latter steamer will take them to the North-west Cape. If higher tides and better weather prevail this time, it is hoped that success will crown the efforts of the salvage party.

ROUGH VOYAGE OF THE YAWATA MARU.

The Japanese mail steamer Yawata Maru, in command of Captain K. Homma, the first Japanese officer to have command of a vessel trading to Australia, arrived at Sydney yesterday morning from Yokohama, and berthed at the Quay. Leaving Nagasaki the vessel ran into very bad weather, north-easterly gales prevailing for three days.

A very high sea was encountered, and some damage was caused to deck fittings, ladders, ventilators, and rails, etc., being carried away. The damage was estimated at about £100, and repairs were made at Hongkong. The Nikko Maru was also at Hongkong, having minor repairs made, she having encountered rough weather on the voyage from Australia to Japan.

Christmas Day was spent at the China port, and on the voyage being resumed the Yawata Maru encountered a strong monsoon across to Manila, where 600 tons of cargo were landed. No cargo was received. The E. and A. liner Empire was late in arriving at Manila from Australia, owing to heavy weather. Leaving Manila the Yawata Maru had fine weather until reaching the Banda Sea, where the wind set in strongly from the north-west, gradually increasing in velocity until nearing Thursday Island, while it was blowing a moderate gale.

Considerable trouble was experienced in berthing the vessel to the jetty, several ropes being carried away. The A.U.S.N. Company's steamer Matunga arrived at Thursday Island too late for mails to be delivered to the Yawata Maru. Very rough weather prevailed on the run to Townsville. The conditions were then fine to Whitsunday Passage, where a strong south-easterly gale, with rain squalls, was experienced.

THE BAR HARBOURS.

The following telegrams were received last night respecting the conditions of the bar harbours:—Cape Hawke, 7ft; Bellinger, 14ft 6in, inside channel 14ft 6in; Camden Haven, 4ft 6in; Bellinger, 8ft; Manning Heads, 11ft, rise 3ft 6in; Yamba, 14ft 9in, rise 4ft 9in, crossing 12ft 9in, rise 2ft 9in; Tweed Heads, too much sea for sounding, rise 2ft 9in, crossing 8ft.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING.

TOWNSVILLE (1270 miles).—Arr.: Jan. 15, Aramac, s, from Sydney; Alert, s, from Capetown. Dep.: Kadina, s, for Cairns.

KEPPEL BAY (877 miles).—Arr.: Jan. 15, Wyandra, s, from Cooktown; Changsha, s, from Sydney.

BUNDABERG (717 miles).—Arr.: Jan. 15, Tinana, s, from Gladstone.

BRISBANE.—Dep.: Jan. 15, Peregrine, s, for Sydney; Tay, s, for Maryborough; Mareeba, s, for Rockhampton.

TWEED HEADS (274m).—Jan. 15, Eliza Allen, bgtn, bargebound.

BYRON BAY (345m).—Passed: Jan. 15, Barrier, s, at 3.50 p.m., north.

RICHMOND RIVER (331m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Brundah, s, at 4.45 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: Jan. 15, Macleay, s, at 5 a.m., St. George, s, at 5.15 a.m., Ramornie, s, at 5.50 a.m., all for Sydney. Passed: Jan. 15, Ormuz, R.M.S., at 3.20 p.m., north.

CLARENCE HEADS (290m).—Arr: Jan. 15, St. George, s, at 9.45 a.m., from Richmond River. Dep: Jan. 15, Kyogle, s, at 7.20 a.m., for Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA (254m).—Passed: Jan. 15, Prinz Sigismund, s, at 4 p.m., Arawatta, s, at 3.20 p.m., steamer like Moira at 6 p.m., all north; steamer, blue funnel, at 12.25 p.m., Ramornie, s, at 3.40 p.m., Macleay, s, at 4 p.m., all south.

BELLINGER (230m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Rosedale, s, from Sydney, at 5.30 a.m.

NAMBUCCA HEADS (222m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Rock Lily, s, for Sydney, at 6.30 a.m.

SMOKY CAPE (205m).—Passed: Jan. 15, Zambesi, s, at 3 p.m., north; A.U.S.N. Company's steamer at 11.15 a.m., Kyogle, s, at 4.45 p.m., both south.

TACKING POINT (160m).—Passed: Jan. 15, steamer, black funnel, white band, at 10.25 a.m.; Kallatina, s, at 3.40 p.m.; Noorebar, s, at 4.25 p.m.; Allinga, s, at 6 p.m., all north.

CAMDEN HAVEN (150m).—Dep: Jan. 15, S. A. Hayward, ktch, at 5.40 a.m.

CROWDY HEAD (147m).—Passed: Jan. 15, a ketch at 11.50 a.m., Rock Lily, s, at 5.50 p.m., Gabo, s, at 4 p.m., Yongala, s, at 6.50 p.m., Cavanba, s, at 7.10 p.m., all south.

MANNING HEADS (144m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Corra Lynn, s, at 5.55 a.m., for Sydney.

CAPE HAWKE (122m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Willinga, sch, at 5.40 a.m., Tuncurry, s, at 5.25 a.m., Shannon, sch, at 5.50 a.m., all for Sydney.

SEAL ROCKS (109m).—Passed: Jan. 15, Commonwealth, s, at 4.15 p.m., north; a large steamer at 5.10 a.m., south.

PORT STEPHENS (85m).—Jan. 15, Whangaroa, sch, at anchor in bay; Williams, s, at 11.15 a.m. Passed: A Howard Smith Company's steamer at 8.30 a.m.; Wyoming, s, at 2.36 p.m., north; cargo steamer at 8.15 a.m., Tuncurry, s, at 10.15 a.m., a ketch at 12.40 p.m., Corra Lynn, s, at 2.38 p.m., Pyrmont, s, at 3 p.m., all south.

NEWCASTLE (62m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Queen Bee, s, Murray, s, Noorebar, s, Nymboida, s, Hunter, s, Moresby, s, Cooloon, s, Beagle, s, Lady Mabel, sch, Quito, s, Helen Nicoll, s, Magdalene, s, Elsa, s, Moorabool, s, all from Sydney; Kincumber, s, from Manning River. Dep: Jan. 15, Slidre, s, Westralia, s, Duckenfield, s, Derwent, s, Queen Bee, s, Archer, s, all for Sydney; Noorebar, s, for Byron Bay; Isle of Arran, sh, for West Coast; Nardoo, s, for Adelaide; Kakapo, s, for Strahan; Wyoming, s, for north; Lammeroo, s, for Fremantle; Gulf of Venice, s, for Manila; Highland Monarch, s, for Adelaide; Halstead, s, for Honolulu; Manuka, s, Murray, s, Nymboida, s, Lady Mabel, sch, all for Sydney; Kincumber, s, for Manning River.

CATHERINE HILL BAY (48m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Illaroo, s, at 4.30 p.m. Dep: Jan. 15, Lubra, s, at 4 p.m.

WOLLONGONG (44 miles).—Arr: Jan. 15, Currajong, s, at 4 a.m.; Moruya, s, at 4.30 a.m.; Dunmore, s, at 5.30 p.m.

PORT KEMBLA (48m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Cycle, s, from Newcastle, at 7 a.m.; Herga, s, from Sydney, at 3 p.m.; Kakapo, s, from Newcastle, at 5.30 p.m.

KIAMA (60m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Moruya, s, from Sydney, at 11.15 a.m. Dep: Jan. 15, Kiama, s, at 11.20 a.m.; Moruya, s, for south, at 1.30 p.m.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Peterborough, s, at 4.45 a.m.

JERVIS BAY (87m).—Passed: Jan. 15, Hymettus, s, at 12.20 p.m.; large steamer, yellow funnel, black top, at 2.40 p.m. both north; Moruya, s, at 4.15 p.m., south.

BATEMAN'S BAY (124m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Winnifred, ycht, for Eden, at 2 p.m.

BERMAGUI SOUTH (169m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Eden, s, from Sydney, at 7.40 a.m. Dep: Eden, s, for Tathra, at 9.45 a.m.

GREEN CAPE (218m).—Dep: Jan. 15, a steamer, distant, at 7.20 a.m., a cutter like Frolic at 11.30 a.m., Carpentaria, s, at 5.20 p.m., Macedonia, R.M.S., at 6.25 p.m., all north.

GABO ISLAND (229m).—Passed: Jan. 15, steamer, yellow funnel, black top, at 4.30 a.m., steamer, black funnel, white band, at noon, Wonga Fell, s, at 3 p.m., all west; Norkoowa, s, at 7 p.m., north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY (438m).—Passed outward: Jan. 15, supposed R.M.S. Macedonia, at 2.5 a.m.; Komura, s, at 8.5 a.m.; Port Augusta, s, at 8.20 a.m.; Ouraka, s, at 5.45 p.m.

MELBOURNE (576 miles).—Arr.: Jan. 15, Brisbane, s, from Kaipara; Warrentina, s, from King's Island. Dep.: Jan. 15, Moeraki, s, for Hobart; Loongana, s, for Launceston; Kanowna, s, for Fremantle; Cooma, s, for Townsville; Scharnhorst, G.M.S., for Sydney; Narrung, s, for London; Cape Corso, s, for South Africa.

HOBART (648m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Papanui, s, for New Zealand, at 5.10 p.m.

STRAHAN.—Arr: Jan. 15, Waimoi, s, from Melbourne, at 4.30 p.m.

BURNIE (525m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Wakatipu, s, from Launceston, at 5 p.m.

ADELAIDE (1050m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Lady Mildred, s, from Newcastle. Dep: Jan. 15, Karitane, s, for Launceston.

PORT PIRIE (1220m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Linda Fell, s, from Newcastle. Dep: Jan. 15, Era, s, for Sydney.

ALBANY (2100m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Grantala, s, for Fremantle.

FREMANTLE (2400m).—Dep: Jan. 15, Sydney, s, for the eastern States.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

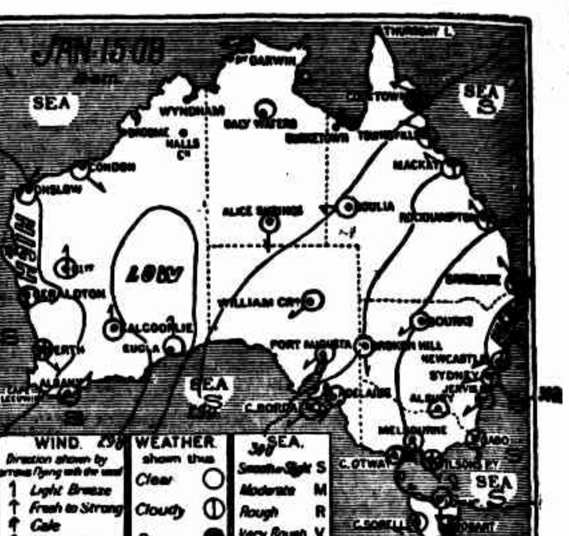
KAIPARA.—Dep: Jan. 15, Rosedale, s, for Sydney.

WELLINGTON (1230m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Maheno, s, from Sydney.

BLUFF (1367m).—Arr: Jan. 15, Perfect, bq, from Adelaide.

AUSTRALIAN WEATHER.

THE "HERALD" MAP.



The centre of the high pressure is still off our north coast, and has diminished in pressure, while its rear isobar has advanced slightly eastward. The low pressure has also advanced eastward at about the normal rate, and is now situated over the western portion of the Great Bight.

Ocean Forecasts.—Seas generally smooth, but choppy, on N.S.W. coast and in the Western Bight.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Commonwealth Weather Bureau, Wednesday.

Sydney Rainfall.—Average 49 years, 48.385.

Total rainfall from January 1, 1908, to date, 0.338.

Total for corresponding period of previous year, 0.896.

Temperatures.—Max. 79.9, min. 64.1; 9 p.m., 70.2.

Humidity.—9 a.m. 58 deg., 3 p.m. 56, 9 p.m. 66.

Barometers.—9 a.m. 30.19, 3 p.m. 30.09, 9 p.m. 30.16.

Wind.—Highest velocity, 26 miles, from NE.

SYNOPSIS.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Light to moderate rain has been recorded at two stations on the extreme north coast, and light rain accompanied by thunder at Cooma on the southern tablelands; otherwise fine and hot conditions ruled.

RAINFALL.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Light to moderate rain fell at two stations on the extreme north coast, and a light shower, accompanied by thunderstorm, at Cooma, on the southern tableland. The registrations were:—Cooma 12 points, Casino 20, Lismore 41.

Victoria and South Australia.—No rain was recorded. Western Australia.—Thunderstorms were recorded at Laverton and Condon.

Queensland.—Light to heavy rain recorded, with thunderstorms over peninsula and far northern coast; light to moderate in extreme south-east, chiefly coast.

QUEENSLAND RAINFALLS.

The principal rainfalls in Queensland during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. Wednesday were:—

Northern Division: Coen, 60 points, Cooktown 125, Geraldton 26, Granny Hill 83, Kuranda 26, Mein 18, Moreton 55, Musgrave 35, Palmerville 104. Southern Division: Bundaberg 12 points, Childers 58, Gingin 26, Goodwood 14, Howard 35, Isisford Junction 23, Maryborough 80.

CONDITIONS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Showery at Lismore; otherwise fine and hot conditions ruled throughout.

Victoria.—Fine and warm to sultry inland; hazy on coast.

South Australia.—Fine and clear and hot with northerly winds.

Western Australia.—Fine on Murchison and in the tropics; fine to cloudy and overcast elsewhere; hot on the goldfields.

Tasmania.—Fine.

Queensland.—Unsettled to showery on coast between Cooktown and Mackay; fine generally western half.

TEMPERATURES.

The highest temperatures inland on Wednesday were:—Albury, 103 degrees; Broken Hill, 108; Condobolin, 103; Cooma, 94; Coonabarabran, 93; Deniliquin, 111; Forbes, 98; Goulburn, 94; Hillston, 107; Walgett, 95; Wentworth, 113; Wilcannia, 106.

BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29.98; Geraldton, 29.95; Perth, 29.93; Esperance Bay, 29.91; Eucla, 29.78; Streaky Bay, 29.93; Adelaide, 30.00; Robe, 30.02; Portland, 30.01; Melbourne, 30.06; Wilson's Promontory, 30.12; Gabo Island, 30.15; Cape St. George, 30.11; Newcastle, 30.20; Port Macquarie, 30.27; Brisbane, 30.15; Rockhampton, 30.0[illegible]; Mackay, 29.96; Cooktown, 29.88.

RIVER REPORTS.

The heights above summer level of the inland rivers on January 15 were as follow:—Albury, 1ft 2in; Balranald, 2ft 9in; Bingara, summer level; Boggabilla, 6in; Booligal, stopped running; Bourke, 4ft 9in, f; Brewarrina, 3ft 9in; Condobolin, 7¼in; Cowra, 1ft; Collarenebri, 1; Dubbo, 1; Euabalong, 2ft; Euston, 10ft 6in; Goodooga, 1; Gundagai, 1ft; Gunnedah, 1; Hillston, stopped running; Kunopia, 1; Louth, 8ft 5in, f; Menindie, 1; Menindie, 5ft 3in; Mourna, 10ft; Mogil Mogil, 1; Moulamein, 1ft 3in; Mungundi, 1ft 2in; Narrandera, 2ft 9in; Pooncarie, 2ft 9in; Tocumwal, 1ft 10in; Wagga Wagga, 2ft; Wentworth, 4ft 6in; Wilcannia, 4ft 1in, f; Yetman, 1ft, r; Barwon River at Walgett, 6ft 9in, f; Namoi River at Walgett, 5ft 3in, f.

Note.—R, rising; f, falling; l, low.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, E, strong, fine, heavy break on bar; Byron Bay, SE, fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Ballina, ENE, fresh, cloudy, bar moderately heavy; Clarence Heads, SE, light, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, SE, light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, ENE, light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, east, light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, ENE, light, fine, sea slight; Manning Heads, east, light, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, NE, light, hazy, sea slight; Port Stephens, NE, fresh, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, NE, mod, fine, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, NE, fresh, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, NE, fresh, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, NE, fresh, fine, sea slight; South Head, NE, moderate, fine, hazy, sea slight; Wollongong, NE, strong, hazy, sea moderate; Kiama, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, NE, strong, fine, hazy, sea moderate; Jervis Bay, NE, strong, squally, fine, hazy, sea moderate; Ulladulla, calm, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, NE, moderate, fine, sea smooth; Eden, NE, fine, sea smooth; Green Cape, NE, moderate, cloudy, hazy, sea slight; Gabo Island, north, moderate, fine, hazy, sea slight.

FORECASTS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Hot northerly winds, strong, dusty, and squally in parts.

Western Australia.—Hot in the north, but moderating temperatures over central and southern parts, with scattered clouds; unimportant occasional showers probable on the south-west coast; southerly winds in eastern parts, northerly in the west.

South Australia.—Still fine and hot, with northerly winds and southerly change advancing, should reach eastern parts before the end of the week, accompanied by some thunder.

Queensland.—More cloudy, showery weather along coast; fine and hot inland.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Hot northerly winds, strong, dusty, and squally.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR JANUARY 16.

Sun rises at 4.59, sets at 7.10; Moon, 5.33 p.m., 3.22 a.m.; Mercury, 5.1 a.m., 7.20 p.m.; Venus, 7.22 a.m., 9.52 p.m.; Mars, 10.31 a.m., 10.31 p.m.; Jupiter, 7.57 p.m., 6.25 a.m.; Saturn, 9.41 a.m., 10.12 p.m.

Full moon, January 18.

High water at Fort Denison 6.55 a.m., 7.19 p.m.

THE WEATHER.

INTENSE HEAT INLAND.

According to telegrams received last evening by the Meteorological Department, intense heat prevailed yesterday throughout the interior of this State. The temperature at Wentworth, on the Darling, reached 113 degrees, while included among other high readings were:—Deniliquin 111 degrees, Hillston 107, Broken Hill and Wilcannia 106, and Albury and Condobolin 103. Strong north-easterly winds prevailed along the coast, with squally conditions at Jervis Bay. Smooth seas were running last night, although there was a heavy break on the bar at the Tweed.

CONDOBOLIN.—The weather is at present intensely hot. Rain is badly needed.

MOUNTAIN INDUSTRIES.

HERMITAGE COLLIERY.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

Extensive improvements are being carried out at the Hermitage colliery, Lithgow. An electric fan is being installed, with dynamo, etc, and water pipes are being extended farther into the mine to enable pumping to be carried out over a greater distance. To make room for electric machinery the air-compressor is being shifted and another steam boiler is being installed. New brick stables, capable of accommodating 26 horses, are nearing completion. The improvements are calculated to bring the mine right up to date.

MANLY SURF BOAT AT NEWCASTLE.

Arrangements have been made for the Sly brothers to proceed to Newcastle on Saturday with the North Steyne (Manly) Life-saving Club, taking the surf boat to help in the exhibition on the Newcastle Beach on Sunday, the 19th inst. An attractive programme has been prepared by the North Steyne Club, and, given anything like reasonable weather, it is expected that a good object lesson will be afforded to Newcastle people. A special concert is being arranged for Friday evening next in the band pavilion to defray the cost of sending the surf boat and crew. A number of members of the council, including Alderman Quirk, Pannu, and Dugan, will accompany the bathers.

WINE AT A RESTAURANT.

A FREE SUNDAY DRINK.

Before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, S.M., yesterday, at the Water Summons Court, John Meier, the proprietor of the Trocadero Cafe, Castlereagh-street, was proceeded against upon an information, alleging that he had sold liquor on Sunday, December 29, last.

Mr. A. Thomson, on behalf of the defendant, pleaded guilty.

It was stated that on the date mentioned, two men were seen drinking wine at a table at the Cafe with their meal. When questioned, defendant stated that he did not sell wine, but gave it away with meals.

Mr. Thomson called attention to the circumstances. Defendant had kept the Cafe for nearly 13 years, during the whole of which time there had been no complaints. He had made a practice of putting wine on the table with meals, and did not think he was in error by so doing. Had the police warned him, no doubt defendant would have ceased the practice. Since the proceedings had been instituted, he had desisted. The offence was a trifling one, seeing that the practice had not been objected to during 13 years.

Mr. Macfarlane asked if it was a first offence, and received a reply in the affirmative.

The police pointed out that wine given away on Sundays with meals was an inducement for people to go there.

Mr. Macfarlane said that an offence had been committed, but under the circumstances he would not impose a heavy penalty. Defendant was fined one shilling, with six shillings costs, or in default 24 hours' imprisonment.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.20 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.20 and 7 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 3.45 p.m.
Laurieton.—Bellinger, 10 a.m.
Auckland, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Manuka, 11 a.m.
Fiji, via Auckland.—Hauroto, 11 a.m.
Raratonga and Tahiti, via Auckland.—Manapouri, 11 a.m.
Hobart (direct).—Westralia, 11 a.m.
Ballina, Broadwater, and Wardell (R.R.).—Ramornie, 11 a.m.
Eden.—Allowrie, 1 p.m.
Ballina, Broadwater, and Wardell (R.R.).—City of Grafton, 1 p.m.
Port Macquarie.—Pyrmont, 4 p.m.
Nambucca Heads and Macksville.—Rockfily, 4 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Kanowna, 5.20 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 5.20 p.m.
Macleay River.—Kempsey, 6 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Orion, 7 p.m.
Macleay River.—Yulgilbar, 9 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Ocean Island and Nauru (Pleasant Island).—Slidre, 10 a.m.
Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.
Manning River.—Burrawong, 1 p.m.
Noumea (direct).—Wodden, 9 p.m.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A good volume of business was effected on 'Change yesterday, chiefly at late rates. Bellambi Coal further improved 1/. Buyers raised their limits for Bank of Australasia shares by £1/10/.

The following sales were reported:—Australian Gaslight, new, £11/15/; Bellambi coal, 60/. Afternoon: Bank of New South Wales, £43/5/; ditto, new, paid up December 31, £42/12/6; Sydney Ferries, 57/; North Shore Gas, 39/; Bellambi Coal, 61/.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div., per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.*
				£	£	£	
STOCK.							
N.S.W. F.S. due 1912..	..	..	3	85	82½	..	3½
Do., due 1912..	..	..	3½	98	97½	..	3¾
Do., due 1912..	..	..	4	102	101½	102½	3½
Do., due 1915..	..	..	3½	99½	99	..	3¾
Do., due 1915..	..	..	3½	99	98½	..	3½
Do., due 1921..	..	..	3½	93½	92	..	3¾
Do., due 1924-5	..	..	3	..	87	..	..
Do., due 1909..	..	..	4	100¼	100	..	4
Do., Act 1873	..	..	4	108	106	110	3¾
Do., 4 p.c., due 9/8/'07	..	..	4	100¼	..	..	3½
Do., Deb., 1906	..	..	4	..	100	..	..
1908	..	..	3½	100	99	..	3½
Do., T. Bills 1906	..	..	3½	100	99	..	3½
Ditto	..	..	4	101½	100	..	3¾
Do., T Bills 1911	..	..	3½	..	..	99½	..
Do., T Bills 1913	..	..	4	..	..	100½	..
N.Z. Deb., 1913	..	..	4	101	..	..	3¾
Do., 1921	..	..	4	101½	101	102	3¾
Queens. Deb., 1913	..	..	4	101½	..	..	3½
Ditto Tr. Bills	..	..	4	101½	101	..	3½
W. A. Inscr.	..	..	4	101/10	100½	..	3¾
Ditto, 1902	..	..	3½	..	..	99	..
Australian Gas Deb., 1922	..	..	4	101½	101	—	3¾
City Sydney Deb.	..	..	4	100½	102	..	3½
Do., 1928	..	..	4	100½	..	..	3¾
Col. Sugar D. 1914	—	..	5	108	107	—	4¼
BANKS.							
Aust. J.S.	5¼	1	..	..	..	..	..
Australasia	40	40	14	100/15/	102½	105	5¼
City	10	8	2	..	77/6	84/	6¼
Do., New	10	8	2	47/6	70/	..	7¼
Commercial of Australia	10	10	..	10/	..	..	..
Do., pref.	10	10	..	6 4 0	6½	5¾	4¼
Com., Syd.	25	12½	15	28½	28	28¾	4¼
Do., New	..	..	10	20/7/6	..	..	..
National of Australasia	..	..	..	10/	..	..	..
Do., pref.	20	20	10	43 5/0	43	43½	4¼
N.S.W.	61	34	10	10¼	9¾	9¾	5¼
N. Zealand	2	2	4	30/6	..	..	5¼
N. Queensland	3	2	..	17/	18/	..	..
Q'ld. National	5	6½	4	94/	95/6	5/1/0	5¼
Royal of Q.	25	25	14	60/0/0	60	..	5¾
Union							
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank Class B.	..	..	5	13/4½	13/3	13/6	4½
Class B., 1917	..	..	5	12/1½	..	..	4¾
Do., Inscr.	..	..	3½	12/6	12/	12/6	5¾
Com. of Aus. Assets	..	..	2	17/6	17/6	..	3¾
E.S.A. Deb.	..	..	4	18/9	18/3	..	4¼
Do., pref	..	..	5	13/1	12/6	13/	4¾
Do., def.	..	..	4½	19/	18/	..	4¾
Q. Nat.	..	..	3½	16/9	16/10	..	4¼
STEAM.							
Bal. Ferry	1	1	10	37/	37/6	38/6	5¼
Howard Smith	20/	20/	10	34/	34/	35/	5½
Do.	20/	5/	10	..	17/	..	5
Pref.	20/	20/	5	20/3	20/	20/6	4¾
Do.	..	5/	..	5/6	5/	..	5
Illawarra	1	15/	7	22/	22/	24/	4¼
Newcastle	1	1	6	23/	24/6	..	4¾
North Coast	1	17/6	6	25/4	25/	25/6	5¼
Ditto, new	1	17/6	6	25/10	..	..	5¾
Port Jackson	1	15/	..	27/	26/6	27/	..
Syd. Ferries	1	1	10	57/	56/	58/	3¾
Do., new	1	10/	10	51/6	..	50/	3¾
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	1	15/	14½	46/	41/	43/6	5¼
Col. Mut. Fire	..	20/	20½	47/4½	..	48/	8¼
Mer. Mut.	1	6/	14½	18/6	18/6	19/6	4¾
New Zealand	10	2	15	9/	..	..	6¾
Queensland	1	10/	8	10/	17/6	..	5¼
United	..	2½	12½	5/10/2	5¼	6	5¾
COAL.							
Bellambi	1	1	27½	61/	60/	61/	5¾
East Greta	1	1	30	29/	27/6	29/	7¼
Hebburn Greta	1	1	..	..	6/	..	7¾
Hetton	5	5	5	56/	50/	55/	9
Metrop., ord.	..	..	..	..	1/	..	..
Ditto, pref.	1	1	8	..	17/	..	8¼
Ditto, def.	1	1	10	..	..	18/	..
Mt. Kembla Coal and Oil, Ltd.	10	10	..	24	26	..	7¼
Newcastle	10	10	5	7¼	6½	7¼	7¼
North Bulli	1	20/	..	24/6	22/6	24/6	..
South Greta	10/	10/	..	14/	13/6	14/3	..
Stockton	1	1	..	5/6	5/6	..	14½
Ditto, new	..	20/	..	..	..	..	..
V. of Clwydd	1	1	10	29/	28/	..	..
Wallsend	10	4	15	29/10	27½	29¼	4½
Waratah	1	..	1	7/	7/	..	..
Wickham and Bullock Is.	1	18/	..	8/6	6/6	10/	..
Ditto, new	1	18/	..	4/6	4/6	..	..
Ditto, pref.	1	20/	..	20/	15/	..	..
GAS.							
Albury	1	12/6	10	21/6	..	22/6	5¾
Australian	6	6	15	19/5/	19½	19¾	4¾
Ditto, new	6	1	15	11¼	11¼	11½	4¼
Char. Towers	10	10	10	14/9	..	..	5¼
Goulburn	1	1	15	38/6	..	..	..
Grafton	1	1	8	20/4½	30/	..	..
Katoomba and Leura	1	20/	..	21/	21/	..	..
Maitland	5	5	7	7	6½	..	..
Manly	1	1	9	34/	33/	..	..
Ditto, new	..	..	..	34/6	..	..	..
Mudgee	1	1	7	22/	22/9	..	6¼
Newcastle	2	2	15	6½	6½	..	4¼
North Shore	1	1	8	39/	38/	39/	4¼
BREWERIES.							
C. and Wood Bros.	1	1	4	11/	10/3	11/6	7¼
Perkins'	25/	15/	20/	36/10½	36/9	..	5¼
Toohey's	16/	16/	5	12/9	12/9	13/	6¼
Tooth's	1	1	10	28/6	28/6	29/	6¾
MISCEL'N'S.							
Aarons'	15/	10/	..	2/1	2/1½	..	..
A. Taylor, Co.	1	20/	10	24/	22/6	24/	6¼
Aust. News	1	1	..	12/	12/	..	..
B. H. W. Sup.	1	1	4/6	20/4	..	..	..
Burns, Philp	1	1	10	40/	..	40/	5
Do., New Issue	1	20/	10	40/	..	..	..
Col. Sugar	20	20	10	41/10/	41½	42	4¾
Do., New Issue	20	10	10	..	..	..	..
Dalgety and Co.	20	5	7	..	5¼	6¼	6½
Dunlop Pneu. Tyre, pref.	1	1	7	19/8	..	..	7
Emu B. Rail	..	..	..	4/10½	3/	—	—
Ditto, pref. B	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Emu and Pros. Gravel	1	16	7½	10/	11/9	12/	12
F. Food, Ice	12/	10/	10	14/3	14/	14/6	7
Goodlet and Smith	15/	15/	8	14/9	14/	15/	8¼
H. Mackenzie, ord.	1	1	7	22/9	22/3	..	6¼
Ditto, pref.	1	1	10	26/	25/	28/	6¾
Rtl. Metropole	..	20/	6	20/	20/9	..	6
Ditto, pref.	..	..	..	..	21/9	..	..
Melb. Trams	1	10	12½	28/6	33/9	..	4¾
M. de Piete	1	1	10	38/	..	39/	5¼
Mort's Dock	1	1	8	18/9	18/6	..	5¼
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	22/6	22/3	..	5¼
Paul and Gray	1	1	17½	28/6	28/	29/	12½
Perm. Trust	5	2/6	10	5/	5/	5/3	5
Perp. Trust	10	5/	10	13/6	13/	..	3¾
Pitt, Son, B.	1	11/	10	..	15/	..	..
Q'nsland Meat Ex. and Agcy	..	..	..	..	..	12/	..
Richardson and Wrench	1	1	5	13/6	13/9	14/6	7¼
Silv. Tram	1	1	40	74/4½	75/	78/	10½
Syd. Cyclorama	1	20/	5	16/	13/	17/	6¼
Syd. Exch.	10	10	6	12½	11¾	12½	4¾
Syd. Htel.	1	1	10	22/	22/	23/	4½
Ditto, con.	1	10/	10	15/6	15/3	15/9	6½
Syd. Hyd. and G. E.	1	15/	15	21/	..	28/	7¼
W. H. Soul Patt, and Co.	1	1	10	43/	42/6	—	4¾
LAND and BD.							
Com. B. and I.	..	..	..	2/6	..	2/6	..
Excels. Dep.	..	..	..	9/	..	..	..
Ind. Prov.	20	20	6	19/	19¾	..	6¼
Intere. Inv.	1	15/	10	31/	..	..	4¼
Newc. B. and I.	..	6	..	19/	..	..	..
Syd. Free. L.	..	6/7	20	3/	..	..	..

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. ‡‡ Ex dividend. ** Ex interest. § Call paid. † For six months.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Bank of Adelaide, b £7/10/6, s £7/12/6; Melbourne Trams, b 33/3, s 34/; National Bank, b 91/, s 92/6; Perth Gas, b 46/, s 47/6.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Quotations:—Queensland National Bank, b 17/; Queensland 3½ per cent. Loan, s £101; ditto, 4 per cent. Treasury Bills, s £103.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 4 per cent., 1923, £103; ditto, 3 per cent., 1920, £89; ditto, 3½ per cent. Treasury Bonds, £90; ditto, 3 per cent. Stock, 1917, £89, £89/10/; ditto, 3 per cent. Stock, 1929, £89/10/; Commercial Bank, pref., £5/11/, £5/12/; E. S. and A. Deposits, def., 12/9; Melbourne Tram, 33/6; Silverton Tram, 78/6; Colonial Sugar, £41/10/; Kauri Timber, 9/3.

FINANCIAL.

VALUATION OF SECURITIES.

A nice point has arisen in connection with the big three New York insurance societies, which graphically illustrates the danger of ill-digested State interference. Under the new insurance laws the companies are expected to value their securities at the market price ruling at the close of each year. Well, at the close of last year all securities in New York were terribly depreciated, and it is not at all improbable that some of the companies will find if they adhere strictly to the law that all their surplus has been eaten up. Of course no one would imagine that this is really the case except on paper, but if the surplus is gone even from the books only, where are the profits? And if there are no profits where are the bonuses to come from? This law operating conversely will probably next year materially raise the paper surplus if the value of securities recovers from the present extreme depression, which is likely. We shall then witness the curious sight of these companies with practically no profits one year, and with possibly enormous profits next. As from its very nature an insurance company is rarely forced to sell its securities in a bad market, the position into which they have been forced is unsatisfactory in the extreme.

ANOTHER VIEW.

It is a curious thing that the very point above referred to was lately discussed in England, not in connection with American, but with English, insurance companies. In a speech which the Chancellor of the Exchequer made at the opening of the new offices of the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution, he seemed rather to deprecate the writing down of securities of life offices at any particular date in conformity with the market quotations then current. And a similar view had previously obtained some support from some members of the actuarial profession, on the ground that in a progressive life office there is seldom any necessity of realising securities, the income from premiums and interest exceeding the outgo from claims and expenses. Commenting on this view a London insurance authority writes:—

But with all respect for these authorities, we cannot regard their suggestions of disregarding market prices as financially sound. Periodical valuations are made for the purpose of ascertaining what, if any, surplus is available for apportionment amongst the persons, whether policyholders or shareholders, who are entitled to participate in the society's profits. In order to find whether there is such a surplus, and in that case its amount, a balance has to be struck between assets and liabilities, and it is necessary in our opinion to carefully value the assets as well as the liabilities. If it is found that the book values of the assets exceed market values, it would be surely unsound to deplete the assets through the apportionment of supposed profits before the assets have been revalued. One may, of course, hope that the depressed conditions are temporary, and that prices will recover; but one ought not to assume that this is the case in a valuation with an eye to the distribution of profits. The actuary has the consolatory advantage that if the assets are written down at a time of exceptionally low prices, it will be all the easier for him to make a profit for his society through realisation with a view to reinvestment when the stock market takes a favourable turn.

This view is all very well as far as it goes, but such a wholesale depreciation such as has occurred in New York could scarcely have been contemplated. If an Australian society buys say New South Wales Government 3½ per cent. stock at say 99, which subsequently falls to 95, on paper its assets would be £4 in the £99 less valuable, but it knows that it will never sell the securities, and further that on the date of maturity it will receive a full £100 for them. In such a case the writing down is not so essential as it would be in the case, for instance, of a bank that might at any time be called upon to realise its securities in order to meet the demands of clamorous depositors.

BANK ABSTRACT.

Particulars of the average liabilities and assets of the undermentioned bank for the quarter ended December 31 compare with those for the preceding quarter, which are given in parenthesis, as follow:—

Bank of Australasia.—Note circulation, £146,500 (142,592); deposits not bearing interest, £1,967,716 (1,756,302); deposits bearing interest, £1,625,666 (1,652,085); coin and bullion, £751,386 (815,532); advances, £3,099,679 (2,991,298).

Commercial Bank of Australia.—Note circulation, £20,695 (18,293); deposits not bearing interest, £175,808 (179,667); deposits bearing interest, £74,891 (68,657); coin and bullion, £143,327 (111,390); advances, £333,827 (324,475).

AMERICAN-AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

American merchant writes:—

The reply to my notes in a previous issue, concerning trans-Pacific mail and cargo facilities, has excited the ire of a gentleman who replies. It requires a great deal of sacrifice to subsidise a line of foreign ships, but the question presents itself, will it pay Australia to do so? I wish the Union Company, or New Zealand Shipping Company, could be subsidised to such an extent as to warrant them putting on ships of double the capacity of the Aorangi and Miowera. Queensland pays as much to the Orient Co. to run to Brisbane (500 miles) as Australia pays to the Vancouver service (7000 miles). With regard to the United States shipping laws, they are the same as exist in many countries; Italy, France, Germany, Canada, and even New Zealand will not allow a foreign ship to carry a single pound of cargo, or a passenger, between their ports. In to-day's "Herald" appears a protest from Sir Thos. Sutherland on the restrictions that Australia intends to pass, prohibiting British (home) steamers carrying passengers or freight on this coast. The United States Interstate Shipping Act was passed many years ago, and before the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands, hence their annexation was not contemplated when the Act was passed. They were compelled to pass such an Act to prevent their ships being forced off the seas. England contemplates passing an Act to make it compulsory for some percentage of her sailors to be English-speaking, or pretty soon her crews will not understand the captains' orders. A well-known Federal Minister has been so poisoned against the Oceanic line that he claims the Spreckles family had so much influence in Congress that they succeeded in getting an interstate shipping Act passed, so they could confine the trade to American ships between Honolulu and San Francisco. As a matter of fact, when the United States took over the Hawaiian Islands, Spreckles had vast sugar interests there, and it paid him to get cheap ships of foreign register to tranship his sugar to San Francisco; so the United States Shipping Act was against his interest. Two remarks of interest to residents of the Far East, and Australians, appear in President Roosevelt's message to Congress, delivered December 3rd. He states:—"Unless Congress is prepared by positive encouragement to secure proper facilities in the way of shipping between Hawaii and the mainland (America), the coastwise shipping laws should be so far relaxed as to prevent Hawaii suffering as it is now suffering." This is a hint that he is in favour of allowing foreign ships of China and Australian lines to pick up passengers and freight between Honolulu and California. At a previous session, Congress rejected a vote for increased subsidy. Again, in his message, the President states, after dealing with the 8s per mile previous subsidy:—"I strongly recommend, therefore, a simple amendment to the Ocean Mail Act of 1891, which will authorise the Postmaster-General in his discretion to enter into contracts for the transportation of mails with Republics to South America, to Asia, to the Philippines, and to Australia, at a rate not to exceed 16s 4d a mile for steamships of 16 knots speed and upward." The old subsidy to the Oceanic Company was about £50,000 per annum. This would bring it up to £100,000, and go far to maintain a first-class line of steamers in the American-Australian trade via New Zealand. Unfortunately, this appeal comes before Congress at an inopportune time—when America is in the throes of a disastrous panic. With regard to the Union Company having borne the burden of unprofitable trans-Pacific pioneering work, I do not know where it comes in. Thirty years ago, the four boats in the San Francisco trade were the City of Sydney, the City of New York (owned by Pacific Mail Co.), the Australia, and Zealandia (owned, I think, by John Elder and Co., of Glasgow). The keeping of four boats in the trade enabled them to undergo repairs and keep in commission. Subsequently the Mariposa and Alameda, with one Union boat, the Moana, having a cut in, conducted the trade until the Ventura, Sonoma, and Sierra took up the running, when they were withdrawn. The effort to perform the service with three boats proved too great a task, as no time was allowed for repairs and overhaul, so the boats broke down. Canada pays 12 per cent. on her total exports to Australia by way of subsidy to the Vancouver line. Australia pays 3½ per cent. on her £732,688 worth of Canadian exports to subsidise the same line, but she declines to pay 1 per cent. towards subsidising ships to encourage trade with the United States, to which country she exports four and a half million pounds' worth of produce and minerals.

CITY BANK OF SYDNEY.

The half-yearly report of the above institution covering the six months ended December 31, shows net profits of £7204, which, with £1619 brought forward, makes £8824 available for distribution. The board proposes distribution as follows:—To dividend at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, absorbing £6000, and to reserve fund £1000, leaving £1824 to be carried forward. The following comparison may be made:—

	Half-year ended Dec. 31. 1906.	1907.
	£	£
Net profits	6,049	7,204
Dividend, per cent.	3½	3
Amount of dividend	5,000	6,000
To reserve	1,000	1,000
Forward	1,554	1,824
LIABILITIES.		
Capital paid-up	400,000	400,000
Reserve fund	7,500	9,500
Notes	85,839	96,559
Deposits, etc.	1,125,813	1,204,282
ASSETS.		
Coin, etc.	273,116	197,563
Government securities	50,000	92,000
Advances	1,160,804	1,283,554
Bank premises, etc.	144,596	147,049

P. AND O. COMPANY PROSPEROUS.

Already we have quoted some remarks of the chairman of the above company at the annual meeting. The actual report then submitted was gratifying to shareholders. The most notable feature was the further expansion in passenger revenue, the receipts under this head being approximately £63,000 above those of the preceding year; there was also an increase of £34,000 from freight and miscellaneous revenue; but, on the other hand, expenditure was £60,000 higher, owing mainly to increased coal consumption, and the withdrawal by the Government of the naval cruiser subvention entailing a loss of £16,500. It has to be noted, too, that under the new mail contract, which will come into force next month, the annual subsidy will be further reduced by some £35,000, but that, of course, does not affect the present accounts. The net results of the year's trading approximate very closely to those of the preceding twelve months. The surplus profits, after setting £460,000 aside for depreciation, totalled £215,000, as compared with £208,900; the final dividend and bonus brought the distribution on the deferred shares up to 13 per cent., as before, and £18,100 was carried forward, as compared with £11,000 brought into the accounts. Altogether a very satisfactory showing, especially as the directors state that the tendency has, on the whole, been towards lower freights.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Australian bank shares exhibit a firmer tendency on the London Stock Exchange, due doubtless to the easier tone of the money market.

During the past fortnight Union Bank shares have risen 10/, and Bank of Australasia and New South Wales £1 in London.

Inquiries for gold are being again received, and in all probability exports will be soon resumed on a heavier scale than has been the case of late.

Even India is asking for gold, the famine conditions prevailing there having been to some extent modified.

The Maranoa Pastoral Company, Ltd., has been formed, with a capital of £15,000 in £ shares, to acquire the pastoral leases of Woodlands and Noogilla, near Mitchell, Queensland, and to carry on the business of land speculators and graziers. The registered office of the company will be in Sydney.

Messrs. J. B. North and Son, in their monthly stock and share report, consider that, seeing the great depreciation in the value of investments dealt in on the London Stock Exchange, the New York Exchange, and the Continental bourses, the prices of investment stocks on the Sydney Stock Exchange have been maintained remarkably well.

There is no doubt that this is so, and we have our comparative isolation to thank for it.

Only yesterday we were shown a list of the yields of certain shares on the basis of the prices ruling in New York a month ago. Securities which would only return about 4 per cent. here in Sydney are there returning 6 and 7 per cent., so great has been the depreciation in the market value there.

It is anticipated that given uninterrupted work the output of coal from New South Wales collieries during the current year will exceed all previous records.

The deed of settlement of the United Insurance Company, Ltd., was yesterday amended in accordance with the proposal of the board. Confirmation by a subsequent meeting is necessary to give it full effect.

Australian banks with London offices are finding these a profitable source of income just now with the high rate for money ruling there.

The profits of the London branch of one leading institution at least exceeded those of any of the individual Australian branches.

The temporary cessation of the local wool sales has caused a natural restriction in the demand for drafts on London.

The production of butter and wheat also being smaller this year is having the same effect.

Meanwhile importations are being maintained on a somewhat extensive scale.

LONDON FINANCIAL CABLES.

BANKS AND AUSTRALIAN STOCKS.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

Bank of Australasia, £1 higher, at b £100, s £102.

Bank of New South Wales, £1 higher, b £40/10/, s £41/10/.

Union Bank of Australia, 10/ higher, b £59, s £61.

National Bank of New Zealand, unchanged, b £5, s £5/10/.

Bank of New Zealand 4 per cent. guarantee stock (new issue), unchanged, at £100/10/.

Bank of New Zealand, 5/ higher, b £9/10/, s £10.

New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company 4 per cent., unchanged, 92.

City of Melbourne 4 per cent., unchanged, at £99.

Melbourne Harbour Trust 4 per cent. bonds, 1 lower, at £100.

Melbourne Tramway Trust 4½ per cent. debentures, 1 lower, at £103.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged, at 101.

COMMERCIAL.

A good demand continues for canned fruits and fish and other oilmen's stores in consequence of the spell of hot weather. All new teas of good quality maintain the firmness noted some weeks ago. Branbags are still in demand, and rates are very firm. Fencing materials are still in moderate demand. The reduction in the prices of locally-made wire netting has somewhat disturbed the market generally. Dried fruits are still asked for from the country, the demand for these goods and evaporated fruits having been continued during the month.

F.A.Q. WHEAT STANDARD.

In response to circular, samples of this season's wheat crop have already been received by the Sydney Chamber of Commerce from branches of the Farmers and Settlers' Association in the following localities:—Parkes, Reefton, Narromine, Junee, Wamlonga (Dubbo), Old Junee, Wellington, Grenfell, Little Plain, Coolamon, Kelvin. The grain trade section of the Chamber will meet on 23rd inst. for the purpose of fixing the f.a.q. (fair average quality) standard for harvest 1907-08. It is anticipated that a sufficient number of samples will have been received by that date.

BREADSTUFFS.

The Sydney wheat market was inactive on Wednesday. Advices that the London market was quieter seem to considerably affect buyers. Since Tuesday afternoon the local market has dropped about ½d per bushel. Early in the week buyers made purchases in the country at 4/6½ (chiefly), and in some instances up to 4/7. Yesterday the best offer was 4/6½, and business was done down to 4/6. Reports from Melbourne showed that the market there was without animation, and a decidedly easier tone was noticed all round, buyers offering sparingly at 4/6½. Offers of 4/9 and 4/9½ for wheat delivered at Sydney did not lead to business on Wednesday.

A few sales of flour were made on the basis of:—New and present quality, £10/10/ per ton; old, up to £11; country makes, £10/5/ to £10/10/.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 1342 tons of wheat and 42 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Teas.—A fair amount of business was done in teas. The market again displayed considerable strength. Sales included 100 Ceylons up to /8½, 180 ditto /8 to /10½, 120 Indians /8½ to /8¾, 50 Indians to /8½.

Messrs. Alfred Harvey and Co. will offer at auction, at 2.30 p.m. to-day, at 63 Pitt street, 700 packages Ceylons and 500 packages Indians, under instructions from Messrs. Claude Healy and Co.

Groceries.—Small parcels of canned fruits were sold. Fifty boxes D.R.J. candles were sold at /8½; wax vestas were disposed of at 3/9. Tref. sardines were stronger, and met with considerable inquiry. Quarters were sold at 4/1½, and halves at 6/9. Ordinary sardines were scarce.

Oils.—The market for oils was generally quiet. Champion's white lead sold on the basis of £33 in ton lots. About four tons assorted cwts. and quarters realised £34. Ferguson's sold at £32 per cwt, and £33 for quarters. Two hundred drums of B. and S.'s linseed oil were disposed of at 3/3½ for raw, and 3/7½ for boiled; 75 cases Pratt's turps, at 3/8½. Castor oil had small sales at the unaltered rate of 3/3. China oil was quoted at 4/8½. Scottish bagged whale oil was disposed of at 2/6, Newfoundland cod oil at 2/6 net.

Dried Fruits.—Sales of small lots of currants and sultanas continue to be made to the country.

Eastern Produce.—Business in all lines was quiet, and rates were unaltered. The third official forecast of the Burma rice crop, dated Rangoon, December 8, states that the area under cultivation in the 15 principal rice-producing districts is 7,235,964 acres, or an increase of 322,271 acres over last year. The surplus available for export is estimated at 2,514,000 tons of cargo rice, equivalent to 2,130,508 tons of cleaned rice.

Brewers' Goods.—The high rates for colonial malt remained unchanged, and fair sales were made of both malt and hops.

Chemicals.—There were inquiries for carbide of calcium, and small parcels of tartaric acid, soda ash, citric acid, and caustic soda, at unchanged rates, were sold.

Jute.—Of bagging goods branbags were most active, and sales were made up to 4/8. Cornsacks realised 6/ for parcels, with an improving tendency. Woolpacks were quoted at 2/7. Reports from Melbourne state that the arrival of fresh supplies by the Hymettus had not the usual depressing effect on values. The Coocyanna, with December cargo, from Calcutta, left Singapore on January 11.

Metals.—In consequence of the reduction in prices of locally-manufactured wire-netting the market was quiet on Wednesday. 42 x 1½ x 17 second grade English was quoted at £34/10/ to £35. The market for German wire was somewhat easier. Sales were made at £8/5/ for No. 8, and £8/15/ for No. 10. American for those respective sizes realised £8/17/6 and £9/7/6. German galvanised wire found buyers at £10/15/ for No. 8, and £11/10/ for No. 10. Sheetlead, full rolls, was disposed of at £21/5/. Wire nails were reported to be very scarce.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney yesterday amounted to £12,345.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 1296 bales of wool were manifested to arrive.

Tariff Decisions.—Woven hat bands, when simply cut to size, may be admitted as minor articles, in anticipation of alteration, paper lace, dutiable at 30 per cent. (foreign), or 25 per cent. (British), tariff item 337 (A), may be admitted free under tariff item 356 (O).

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

SILVER.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 2/1 13-16 per ounce standard, a drop of ⅛d since Monday.

METALS.

Jan. 15.

Copper.—Spot, b £63/17/6, s £64/2/6; three months, b £64/5/, s £64/10/—an advance of 17/6 spot and 12/6 forward.

Tin.—Spot, b £125/10/, s £126; three months, b £126/5/, s £126/15/—an advance of 10/ on both.

Lead.—Spot, b £14/7/6, s £14/10—an advance of 2/6.

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Wheat was steady to-day. There was no alteration in the quotation, which remains at 4/3½. For flour millers wanted £10 for shipment. In bran and pollard for export business could not be done—1/1 and 1/2 is now talked of.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Wheat quoted at 4/6½ to 4/6½, sellers asking up to 4/7 for good-sized parcels. Flour, fair demand locally, on association basis of £10/10. Bran and pollard, 1/1 to 1/2. Business was done in bran for shipment to Sydney. Barley, malting, was firm, good samples quoted at 5/6; prime, 5/3 to 5/9; Cape, steady, at 3/10 to 4/ for malting; 3/6 to 3/8 for feed. Oats, market irregular, prime milling quoted 3/4 to 3/4½; feed, 3/3; stout white, 3/4. Maize quiet, 4/8 ex store. Peas, hand-threshed dun, 3/9. Chaff, market slightly weaker, prime green wheaten quoted £5/13/6 to £5/15/; special lots, £5/17/6; prime oaten, £5/7/6 to £5/10/; good chaff, £5 to £5/5/; straw chaff, short supply; oaten, £3/5/; wheaten, £3. Hay and straw firm at late rates; old manger hay up to £7; new, £6; manger sheaves, £5/10/; sheaves chaffing, £5/5/; Victorian straw, £2/10/ to £2/12/6; Tasmanian, £3 to £3/5/. Potatoes quiet and weaker; western district, £3/15/ to £4/5/; Gippsland, £4; locals, up to £3/10/. Onions firm up to £7.

Butter was in greater demand; for choice butter from cool districts there was an advance to 1/; other prime brands, /11½; good, /11; prime dairy and separator, /9½ to /10. Cheese was in good demand; new cheese, /5 to /5½ for medium; good, /5½; for well-conditioned lots fit for shipment, /6½; special makes, /6½; fairly matured, /6½ to /7½. Bacon was active, quoted /8 to /9½; middles, /10½; hams, /11; ordinary, 1/. For choice eggs /7 to /9½.

Business in tea covers 200 packages of Ceylon, quoted up to /9; 100 chests Indian up to /8½; and 50 chests Java; 20 tons Cochin ginger were sold to arrive. 200 cases Skeena salmon were sold; 10 tons bi-carb of soda were placed. Cornsacks quoted at 6/4; branbags up to 4/8. Small business is doing in fencing materials. Castor oil quoted 3/6.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Live Stock market to-day 1645 fat cattle were yarded, comprising 350 from New South Wales, 500 from the north-eastern district, 300 from Gippsland, 300 from South Gippsland, 290 from the westward, and the remainder chiefly from the northern district. All qualities were represented, including a large number of cows, grading from second to those of a useful description. The market opened with brisk competition, at 10/ a head higher. The demand, however, became irregular, prices fluctuating considerably, but in most instances a slight improvement was noticeable on last week's rates. Extra prime bullocks were quoted at £12/15/ to £14/15/, and £10/10/ to £12; good, £8/10/ to £10; good light and handy weights, £7 to £8/5/, with inferior from £5/10/; prime pens of cows quoted at £8 to £9/10/; good, £6/10/ to £7/10/; second, £4/10/ to £5/15/; others from £3. For 440 fat calves penned the demand was inactive at about last week's rates. Prime steers and heifers quoted from £3/10/ to £4, to higher; prime calves from 40/ to 55/; prime vealers, from 25/ to 35/; good from 15/ to 20/; with small from 8/ upwards.

The prices in the Metropolitan meat market for the week ended to-day were:—Beef, prime bodies, 25/ to 27/ per 100lb; medium quoted 22/, 21/; prime forequarters, 18/, 20/; medium, 16/, 18/; prime hindquarters, 35/, 30/; medium, 30/, 28/. Sheep: Prime, /2½ to /2¾ per lb; medium, /2 to /2¼. Lamb, prime, 8/ to 10/ each; medium, 8/, to 9/. Veal, prime large vealers, /2 to /2½ per lb; medium, /1 to /1½; prime small vealers, /2 to /2½; medium, /1½ to /2; small calved, /2½ to /3.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The better tone noticeable in the fodder section on Tuesday was followed by an excellent recovery, and merchants operated very freely. As a result chaff firmed, and for the mid-week market better values were obtained. Victorian chaff was cleared right out at £6/10/. Adelaide improved to £6/15/, while stocks of Western Australian were light at £6/15/. Tasmanian moved at £6/5/. A practically bare market was reported, but two Adelaide shipments were due on Thursday. Lucerne was scarce on the wharf, but 11 truckloads were disposed of at better rates at auction. The scarcity of mill offal continued. It would be very hard to secure 50 tons of bran or pollard in Sydney. Last year big export orders for flour left a correspondingly big quantity of offal on the market. But now the mills are working only half-time, there is practically no flour to export, and the output of mill offal has been greatly curtailed. The very sparsely supplied market has been operated upon very freely on account of drought conditions along the coast. Thus the very short supply and very heavy demand have produced the expected bran and pollard famine. While an occasional 1/4 was quoted, the bulk of the business was done in both lines at 1/5.

Good potatoes were scarce, but 1000 bags of old crop were unloaded on the Redfern market. These realised from 2/ to 2/3, while new varieties made 7/3. The coming of the Circular Heads has made farmers rush their stuff to market. Melbourne Pinkeyes were weaker. Onions were practically unaltered, £7/10/ being obtained for Globes. Wheat ruled firm, but maize weakened /0½. While 5/2 was quoted, holders were accepting 5/1½.

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL MARKET.

Current quotations were:—

Barley.—Cape, seed 4/6 bus.

Maize.—Prime yellow, 5/1½ to 5/2; white, 5/1 bus.

Peas.—Blue, 5/6 to 6/; grey, 4/9 to 4/10; inferior, 4/3 to 4/6 bus.

Wheat.—Prime milling, 4/10.

Chickwheat.—4/8 to 4/9; inferior, 4/6 to 4/7.

Oats.—Melbourne: Algerian, heavy milling 3/5. Tasmanian: White, 3/5. Local: Algerian, 3/4 bus.

Bran.—1/4, 1/5; pollard, 1/4, 1/5 bus.

FODDER.

Chaff.—Victorian: £6/10/. Adelaide: £6/10/ to £6/15/. Western Australian: £6/15/. Tasmanian: £6 ton. At auction: Local: Extra prime £7, good to prime £5/15/ to £6/10.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian: £7. Adelaide: £6/10/ ton.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian: Nominal. Melbourne: £3/5/.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: £6. At auction: Prime large £6, prime small £6/10/.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes.—£2, choice £3; new Melbourne, £7/10/. Auction: £2, prime to £7/5/.

Onions.—Victorian: £4 to £4/10/. New local: £4 to £7/15/. Silverskins, £7. Melbourne Globes, £7/10/ ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

The grocers' half-holiday meant a quiet time amongst dairy produce agents. The butter market was unaltered, supplies continuing excellent. Bacon was again firm, the demand being somewhat ahead of the supply. Cheese firmed, but the expected influx of Victorian and Queensland lines has commenced. These importations must weaken an otherwise excellent market. While some agents were asking /8 for prime loaf, others were satisfied with /7½. A considerable lot of /7½ was quoted. Apiary conditions were unaltered. The Adelaide imports have demoralised the local egg market, and second-quality lines were rather a drug. Only choice reliable sorts found inquiry. New laids, however, were in good demand.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Special flavoured brands 100/, choice 98/ to [illegible], seconds 90/, pastry lines 80/ to 82/ cwt.

Bacon.—Prime factory, sides /9 to /9½, flitches /9½ to /9, middles /10 to /10½, special brands, sides /10½, flitches /9½, middles /11½. Hams: In cloth, 1/ to 1/1; special brands, /12½ to 1/2; bagged, /12½ to /18; special brands, /13½ to 1/2 lb.

Honey.—60lb tins extra choice extracted, /3; prime, /2½ to /2¾; good, /2½; inferior and candied, /2.

Beeswax.—Bright, 1/3½ to 1/3; dark, 1/2 to 1/2 lb.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf, /7 to /8, good /6½ to /6¾, inferior from /6½, prime large /7 to /7½, good /6½ to /6¾, inferior from /5; special brands, /8½.

Lard.—Packet and small bladders, /7 to /7½; special, /7½; bulk, /6 to /7.

Eggs.—Northern rivers, /9 to /9½, few /10; Southern and railway, /9½ to /10½; new-laid suburban, 1/ to 1/1; new-laid duck, 1/1, 1/2 per doz.

POULTRY.

The depression in this section continued, and low values were everywhere reported. Naturally, quiet conditions following the holidays, have been aggravated by other contributing causes. In many of the poultry-farming districts drought conditions prevail, and natural food is scarce. Then, the very high prices of pollard and grain have still more heavily handicapped farmers, and in desperation they have sent everything possible to market, in spite of low prices obtainable. The inevitable glut resulted. Wholesalers all round reported heavy supplies, and an insignificant demand.

Late rates were:—

River.—Old hens, 2/3 to 2/9; young roosters, 2/6 to 5/; chickens, 1/6 to 2/; English ducks, 2/3 to 3/; Muscovy, 2/6 to 3/3; drakes, 5/ to 5/6; geese, 5/; goslings, 5/; turkeys, hens 7/, to 8/, gobblers, prime 12/ to 14/, extra heavy to 18/; guineafowls, 4/ to 4/6 pair.

Suburban.—Fowls: Young roosters, 4/ to 6/, very small kinds 2/, old hens 3/ to 3/3; ducks, English, 2/6 to 4/, small 2/6 to 3/, choice to 5/; Muscovy, 3/6 to 4/6, choice 5/; drakes, 4/6 to 6/, choice 7/; turkeys, hens 8/ to 10/, choice 11/, small from 4/6; gobblers, 12/ to 15/, prime 17/6, inferior from 8/; geese, 6/; guineafowls, 4/ to 4/6; pigeons, 1/3 to 1/6 pair.

FIREWOOD.

At the three auction stations mixed woods arrived in good supply, 30 truckloads coming under the hammer. At Alexandria and Darling Harbour satisfactory sales were reported, but at Newtown values slumped. Best boxwood receded to 15/.

Late rates were:—Boxwood, best 14/ to 15/, medium 11/ to 13/; bakers' wood 11/ to 12/, rough 8/ to 10/; stringybark, 10/ to 12/; ironbark, 10/6 to 12/ ton.

AUCTION SALES.

A good sale took place at the railway station goods sheds on Wednesday morning. A large number of buyers attended, and competition was keen enough throughout, 41 out of 53 truckloads being accepted. Generally speaking the tone of the market was firmer. Potatoes were the only exception, and of these new were slightly better, but old declined from late rates. Chaff, as usual, comprised a large percentage of the total number of truckloads offered, but although its value increased a third of it failed to find buyers. Of maize again, which sold at about late rates, only half the consignments offered were accepted, but every truck of lucerne and potatoes was bought in, the former at strengthened values. Of the other commodities only single truckloads were put up to auction. The following lots were offered:—Chaff 18, lucerne 11, oaten hay 1, wheat 1, maize 8, oats 1, onions 1, and potatoes 11. Chaff strengthened in value, prime fetching from 6/6 to 6/10, good from 6/ to 6/5, and medium from 5/2 to 5/10 per cwt. No lucerne chaff was brought forward. Rates for lucerne hay also improved on those ruling on Monday. Prime large bales realised from 6/3 to 6/8, medium 6/, and prime small bales from 6/9 to 7/ per cwt. A single consignment of prime rack oaten hay went at 6/4 per cwt, and one of bundle straw at 3/6 per cwt. A truckload of good chickwheat was passed in at 4/5 per bushel, and prime yellow maize was worth 5/1½ per bushel. A consignment of oats was passed in at 3/4½ per bushel. The only truck of onions offered brought 6/6 per cwt. Potatoes, taken together, declined in price. Medium new realised from 7/ to 7/3—rates which vary little from those of Tuesday. Old, however, receded on late rates, prime going at 3/3 and 3/4, and medium at from 2/ to 2/9 per cwt.

Particulars of sale are as follow:—

Chaff.—From Lane, Wee Waa, (5642) p 6/9; Rolan, Forbes, (12212) p 6/11; ex Darling Harbour, (1804) 5/5, (11223) 5/2, (4468) 6/; Williams, Parkes, (13199) 6/6; ex Meranburn, (10890) 6/; Wilkins, Wellington, (9989) p 6/7; Handover, Eulomogo, (5628) 6/8; ex Coonabo siding, (9788) 6/10, (4630) 6/10; Christian Bros, Raglan, (13806) 6/8; ex Gunnain, (10756) 6/7; Flanagan, Amaroo, (11855) 6/4, (11525) 6/4; Howard, Parkes, (10011) p 7/1; Valverde, Henty, (12248) 160 bags p 5/10, balance p 6/10; Turner, Dubbo, (3361) 6/3 per cwt.

Lucerne Hay.—From Hall, Aberdeen, (7152) 6/; Moore, East Maitland, (12945) 6/7; Pillidge, Morpeth, (9171) 6/8; J. M'Cain, (1127) 6/6; ex Morpeth, (6946) 11 bales SPA 6/3, 11 bales TL p 6/3; J. T. Wright, Morpeth, (6015) 6/3; M'Carthy, (6196) 6/6; Hayes, (12676) 6/5; J. T. Hill, (1924) 6/8; A. Brown, Mudgee, (2253) 7/; Gummer, Perth, (1658) 6/9 per cwt.

Oaten Hay.—From Abel, Tarana, (4621) 6/4 per cwt.

Bundle Straw.—From Aiken, Lyndhurst, (3755) 3/6 per cwt.

Wheat.—Ex Coolamon, (6070) p 4/5 per bus.

Maize.—From Cansdell, Inverell (667) 5/1½, (12737) 5/1½; ex Tumut, (5744) p 5/1, (11808) p 5/1, (366) p 5/1, (3459) part 5/1½; M'Fadyen, Tumut, (55) p 5/1, (624) 5/1½ bus.

Oats.—From Boyd, Coolamon, (11125) p 3/4½ per bus.

Onions.—From Vercoe, Maitland, (1766) 19 bags 6/6 per cwt.

Potatoes.—Ex Millthorpe, (1826) 2/3, (9631) 75 bags V 5/, 30 bags X 2/3, 64 no mark 2/2, (10871) 16 bags S 2/, (4450) 9 bags H over N 7/3, 23 bags L 2/6, 15 X 2/9; Bowd, Millthorpe, (9110) 15 bags W 2/4, 37 bags red 2/9; ex Blayney, (X151) 2/8; Young, (4936) 84 bags 3/4; ex Orange, (12022) 2/3; M'Donald, Crookwell, (X145) 2/7; G. Wilton, Blayney, (5401) 45 bags "2/6; ex Darling Harbour, (7275) 6 bags green rag 7/ per cwt.

An asterisk (*) denotes a private sale.

FRUIT MARKETS.

BATHURST-STREET.

Supplies were rather better at the mid-week sales, and satisfactory business was done. Mandarines were about done; for some time only inferior stuff has been arriving at the markets. Choice Italian lemons were cheaper, while the advancing season saw prices easier for grapes. Trivett apples improved, and up to 14/ was obtained for best sorts. Inferior lines moved more readily, owing to operations of jam manufacturers.

Current quotations were:—

Passionfruit.—Local: Choice 3/ to 4/, medium 2/, 2/6, small 1/ to 1/6 per half-case.

Pineapples.—Queensland: Queen, 5/ to 7/; common, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 3/ to 4/ case.

Peanuts.—/5½ lb; walnuts, /7½; Barcelonas, /7½; Lychee, /11 to 1/.

Cocoanuts.—11/ to 12/6 bag.

Oranges.—Choice 10/ to 14/, good 7/ to 8/, small 2/6 to 4/3.

Cucumbers.—Local: Choice 4/ to 5/ per gin-case.

Bananas.—G.M., 15/ to 16/ per case, 5/ to 9/ bunch, Chinese: 14/ to 15/ per case, 4/ to 7/6 bunch.

Watermelons.—Queensland: Large 8/ to 10/, small 6/ per doz. Local: Large 7/ to 9/, small 4/ to 5/ doz.

Rockmelons.—Queensland: 5/ to 6/ double-case.

Lemons.—Choice white 5/ to 6/, good 4/ to 5/, rough unsaleable. Choice Italian: 10/ to 11/.

Strawberries.—Choice 10/ to 15/, good 8/ to 9/, jam lots from 4/ doz punnets.

Grapes.—Black, choice 6/ to 7/, medium 4/ to 5/, small 1/6 to 2/; white, choice 4/ to 5/, medium 2/6 to 3/, small 1/6 box; Muscatels, black and white, /5 to /7 per lb.

Tomatoes.—Local: Choice 3/, 4/, small 2/, 2/6 half-case.

Gooseberries.—Local: Prime 4/, inferior 1/6 quarter-case.

Mangoes.—Queensland: 5/ to 6/ packer.

Plums.—Angelinas, choice 4/ to 5/ per half-case, medium 3/ to 3/6; Lutherboroughs, choice 4/6 to 5/, medium 4/ per gin-case; Japanese, 3/ to 3/6 per gin-case; blood plums, choice 2/6 to 3/ half-case, medium 3/ to 3/6 per gin-case; Diamonds, choice 5/6 to 6/, medium 4/ to 4/6 per gin-case; Burbanks, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 3/ to 4/, small 2/ to 2/6 per half-case; jam lots, 3/ to 4/.

Apricots.—Local: Choice 3/ to 3/6 per half-case, medium 2/6, small from 2/ to 2/6 per gin-case. Victorian: Choice green 8/ to 9/, medium 4/ to 5/, ripe 4/ to 6/; jam lots, 2/ to 3/6 per bushel.

Nectarines.—Choice 7/ to 8/, medium 3/ to 4/, small 1/6 to 2/ per half-case.

Peaches.—Slipstones, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 3/ to 3/6, small to 2/; clingstones, choice 4/6 to 5/, medium 3/, small 1/6 per half-case, jam lots 2/6 to 3/ per gin-case. Elbertas, choice 3/6 to 4/ half-case, medium 3/, jam lots 3/ to 4/ per gin-case.

Pears.—Williams', choice clean 6/6 to 7/6, medium 5/ to 5/6, small 3/ to 3/6; China, choice 3/ to 4/ per gin-case.

Apples.—Local: Cooking, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 4/. Dessert: Carringtons, extra choice 14/ to 15/, choice 10/ to 11/, medium 6/ to 7/, small 3/ to 4/ per gin-case, jam lots 2/ to 2/6. Trivett's, choice 12/ to 14/, medium 6/ to 7/, small 3/ to 3/6 per gin-case.

Walnuts.—Green, /3 per lb.

BELMORE MARKETS.

FRUIT.

Good business has been transacted, but at rates which have altered little from those ruling now for nearly a week; the market has now steadied down after the holidays. There has been a good demand for choice fruit, but medium and poor grades were rather harder to dispose of. Latest wholesale quotations are as follow:—

Pineapples.—Small 3/ to 4/, choice 5/ to 6/; Queens, 4/6 to 6/.

Apples.—Local, Carringtons, choice up to 14/ per gin-case, medium 5/ to 7/, small 3/ to 4/; Trivett's seedling, 6/ to 9/, choice up to 12/ per gin-case; cooking apples, 6/ to 9/; eating apples, 9/ to 13/.

Plums.—Japanese varieties: Wixon's 3/6 to 6/; Burbank's, 2/ to 3/6, choice up to 5/; Blood plums, small 2/6, best 4/; jam lots, 2/6 to 3/ per gin-case; Kelsey's plums, 3/ to 6/ per half-case.

Peaches.—Elbertas, 3/6 to 5/, extra choice to 6/ per half-case; Shanghai, clingstones, 2/6 to 3/ per box. Victorians: In bushel cases, 8/ to 9/; in crates, up to 15/.

Nectarines.—Small 2/6, medium 4/ to 5/, choice up to 10/.

Tomatoes.—Local: Choice 2/6 per quarter-case, others 1/6, 3/6 to 4/ per half case.

Apricots.—Small 3/ to 6/ per box; Tasmanian, 2/6 to 4/ per half bushel.

Pears.—William's choice, 7/ to 10/, medium 5/6 per gin-case.

Lemons.—Small 4/, medium 5/ to 6/, choice up to 8/ per gin-case. Italian: 10/ to 11/ per case containing 180.

Cocoanuts.—10/ to 11/ per bag, 2/6 per dozen.

Bananas.—Gros Michaels, 14/6 per pine-case, 18/ to 20/ per double-case. Fiji: 12/6 per pine-case.

Strawberries.—/9 to 2/ per quart.

Watermelons.—Small 4/ to 6/, choice 7/ to 9/ per dozen, extra large to 12/ per dozen.

Rockmelons.—7/ to 8/ per gin-case.

Passionfruit.—Choice 3/ to 4/, medium 1/6 to 2/6 per box.

VEGETABLES.

A very fair amount of business has been done in the greens' section, at prices which have varied little from those last quoted. What change there has been is in the downward direction. Pumpkins, beets, watercress, radishes, and celery weakened; while vegetable marrows, carrots, parsnips, leeks, and green peas were firmer; and most other vegetables sold at late rates. Current quotations are as follow:—

Cabbages, large 8/, medium 5/, small 3/; pumpkins, large 24/, medium 18/, small 14/; lettuce, /6 to 1/; vegetable marrow, 2/6 to 3/; cucumbers, 1/6 per doz; carrots, 1/6 to 2/; parsnips, 2/6; turnips, 1/3 to 1/6; beetroot, /6 to /9; leeks, 2/6 to 3/; eschalots, 1/; spinach, /9 to 1/; parsley, 2/ to 2/6; herbs, 1/; mint, 1/6; watercress, 2/; asparagus, 6/6; rhubarb, large 2/, small /6 to /9; celery, 1/3 to 1/6; radishes, /3 to /4; horseradish, 6/ to 8/ per doz bunches; potatoes, Early Rose 12/ to 14/, kidney 12/ to 14/; onions, 8/ to 9/ per cwt; French beans, 4/9 to 5/; green peas, 5/6 to 6/ per bushel; tomatoes, 1/ to 2/6 per quarter-case.

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

For the sale of January 20, 760 sheep vans and 117 cattle waggons have been ordered, and for that of January 23, 365 sheep vans and 125 cattle waggons.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

At to-day's fat stock sales to be held at Homebush the offerings will be 1319 cattle and 46,282 sheep.

CITY YARDS.

At the city auction 560 head of calves were yarded, larger sorts predominating. Buyers were in good attendance, but the number penned was in excess of requirements, and a sale duller even than last week's resulted. Values all round were weaker. The following prices were realised:—

Best heavy yearlings, approaching beef, £4 to £5; medium and others, £3 to £4. Best heavy vealers, 60s to 80s; medium weights, 40s to 50s; light, 30s to 40s; others, 20s to 30s; small, from 5s to 15s.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company, Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Schute, Bell, and Co., and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report:—

Rabbitskins.—The market was irregular, and prices were inclined to be lower. Quotations:—Medium /6 to /8½ per lb, inferior /3 to /5½, does to /4½, kittens to /1½.

Leather.—Sales were held yesterday by Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., and Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.

A brisk demand prevailed for heavy and light sole, but all other lines continued dull. Quotations:—Cow tweed /16 to /17 per lb (/5 to /5½ per ft.), yearling tweed /17 to /18, calf tweed /18 to /20, waxed yearlings /16 to /20, waxed calf /22 to /30, kip—best light /12 to /14½, heavy /12 to /13, damaged /10 to /11½, dressed splits—light /8 to /10, medium to /8, rough splits to /6½, bends /17 to /22; sole—heavy /12 to /16, medium /10 to /11, light /10 to /11, damaged /6½ to /10; harness—brown /12 to /14½, black /13 to /16½; bridle, 13/ to 15/ per side; bag, 11/ to 14/; basils—saddlers 18/ to 20/ per dozen, 1 shoe 17/ to 21/, 2 shoe 10/ to 15/, 3 shoe 5/ to 10/; collars, 14/ to 21/; basil pieces, /3 to /7 per lb.

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The Poultry and Kennel Notes in the "Sydney Mail" each week are always well worth careful scrutiny.—Advt.

SYDNEY CITY MISSION.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR A JEW.

The council of the Sydney City Mission met on Tuesday, with the president, Rev. Geo. Campbell, in the chair. The hon. treasurer, Sir James Graham, reported that the largest monthly income was that for December, viz., £1558 11s 6d, made up in the following way:—The street collection yielded £689, the Christmas help £452, and the balance, £417 11s 6d, from the ordinary sources. Gratification was taken at the excellent response made to the various mission appeals, which enables the treasurer to wipe out the bank obligation of £575.

At Christmas 1654 orders were given to families, comprising 7295 persons. As far as could be ascertained, the families assisted were denominated:—701 Church of England, 212 Roman Catholics, 134 Methodist, 84 Presbyterian, 30 Congregational, 17 Baptist, 5 Salvation Army, 5 Church of Christ, and 1 Israelite.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

RAINE and HORNE.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, City, Suburban, and Country Properties.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON and LITTLE.—At 378 George-street, at 11, Watches, Rings, Brooches, Silver Goods, Electroplate, etc.

S. H. HARRIS and CO.—At the Mart, at 11, Boots and Shoes, etc.

O. I. KEMPTHORNE.—At 12 Merton-street, Stanmore, at 11, Furniture, Piano, Paintings, Hallstand, etc.

DALWOOD and CO., Ltd.—At 636 Bourke-street, Moore Park, at 11, Furniture, Piano, Chinaware, etc.

J. RUSSELL JONES.—At 60 Brougham-street, Darlinghurst, at 11, Furniture, Oilcloth, Pictures, etc.

A. HARVEY and CO.—At the Saleroom, at 2.30, Teas.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 170 George-street West, at 2.30, Furniture, Sewing Machine, etc.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Blankets, etc.; at 3, Jewellery, etc.

H. HAINS.—At Bognor, 15 Pemell-street, Newtown, at 11, Gas Stove, Furniture, etc.

H. Y. NORTON.—At 20 Craigend-street, Darlinghurst, at 11, Electroplate, Linoleum, Furniture, etc.

H. LEVY.—At 55 Enmore-road, Newtown, at 11, Clothing Showcases, Window Fittings, Outside Lamps, etc.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY PRODUCE SELLING BROKERS.—At the Wool Exchange, at 10, Hair, Horns, Sundries; at 2.30, Tallow.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Saleyards, at 11, Cows, Calves, etc.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Bazaar, at 10.30, 1.30, and 12, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Although the news cabled from London yesterday that there had been a rise in the price of copper and lead, while tin remained stationary was reassuring, the further intelligence that there was a slight fall in silver went to neutralise any good effect of the advance in lead. The market could hardly be called animated at any time during the day. Broken Hill Proprietary shares advanced to 53/, but there was only one sale. This rise was probably in some measure caused by the announcement that the lode from Block 11 had been cut in the Proprietary at a depth of 1400ft. Broken Hill South, paid, realised 62/6 for a direct sale, and 62/9 for three weeks' terms, while the contributing section of the same stock brought 54/6 and 55/ in the morning, and 55/6 in the afternoon, the last, however, being on a month's terms. North Broken Hill shares brought 29/6, South Blocks 10/4½, Junction North 14/6, 14/7½, and 14/6, and for one month's terms 14/3. There was a hesitancy in the closing operations of the day, as though it were felt that the improvement in share quotations from London was caused by some such cause as Australian orders sent thither to meet requirements of the fortnightly settlement now in progress.

In the gold section, New Hillgrove Proprietary shares had a sale at 9/3, Harden at 22/6, and in Queensland stock Great Northern sold at 7/, Great Western, contributing, at 2/5, and South Glanmire and Monkland at 1/6. There seems to be a feeling that the outlook, so far as the baser metals are concerned, is rather unpropitious, and investors may, therefore, be turning their attention to gold. Gympie stocks have gradually improved since the beginning of the year, and there may be some such cause as has been indicated to lead to this.

In tin shares, Gilmore was the only one which had any trade. There is no disposition to invest in any of the more speculative lines.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer £ s d	Seller £ s d
COPPER.		
Blayney Copper and Smelting	—	0 5 0
Budgery Mines	0 2 0	0 2 8
Chillagoe, contributing	0 4 3	0 4 7
Grafton	1 7 6	1 12 6
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	—	0 11 0
Lloyd Copper	0 5 0	0 5 4
M'Gregor-Cloncurry, paid	0 3 5	0 4 1
Mount Elliott	2 2 0	2 5 0
Mount Molloy	0 9 3	0 9 9
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 6 5	—
O. K.	0 5 1	0 5 4
Queen Bee	0 10 1½	0 10 6
Ditto North, contributing	—	0 0 3
Roebourne	—	0 5 0
Wallaroo and Moonta	1 14 6	1 15 9
TIN.		
Dalziell's Tin Mines	0 1 8	0 1 10
Gilmore	0 5 4	0 5 6
Smith's Creek Proprietary	0 3 3	—
Vulcan	0 4 6	—
SILVER. New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	0 13 0	0 13 6
Ditto, privileged	0 10 0	—
Broken Hill Proprietary	2 12 0	2 13 6
Ditto, Block 10	2 14 0	2 14 6
Ditto, Block 14	0 14 0	0 15 0
Ditto, preference	0 13 0	—
B. H. Junction	0 1 4	0 1 6
B. H. Junction North	0 14 5	0 14 7½
B. H. North	1 9 6	1 11 0
B. H. South	3 2 6	3 3 6
B. H. South, contributing	2 14 6	2 15 6
B. H. South Blocks	0 9 9	0 10 3
Sulphide Corporation (ordinary)	0 8 0	0 9 6
GOLD. New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	—	0 5 3
Harden	1 2 6	1 3 6
Harden Central (paid)	0 1 0	—
Harden West	—	0 3 3
Ditto, contributing	—	0 1 6
Mount David	0 2 6	0 2 9
Myall and Peak Hill (paid)	—	0 1 0
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 9 1½	0 9 6
Occidental	0 7 6	—
Sunlight	0 1 0	—
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	—	0 4 6
Araluen Central	0 6 0	0 7 0
Associated Gold Dredging	0 4 6	0 5 0
Buckland River	0 2 0	—
Ditto, South Extended	—	0 5 7
Cope's Creek	—	0 7 0
Elrington	—	0 2 0
Jembaicumbene	—	0 3 0
Ovens Valley	0 5 0	—
Reform Tin, paid	—	0 2 6
Tingha Tin	—	0 5 0
Queensland— Charters Towers, etc.		
Brilliant Central	0 4 10	0 5 1
Brilliant Extended	0 6 2	—
Ditto, contributing	0 4 9	—
Kelly's Queen Block	0 2 0	0 2 6
Mount Morgan	3 6 3	3 7 0
Victory	—	0 0 9
Gympie.		
Great Northern, contributing	0 6 9	0 7 0
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	0 1 8	0 1 10
North Smithfield	0 6 3	0 8 9
North Smithfield, No. 1	—	0 6 6
Oriental and Glanmire	0 5 0	0 6 0
South Glanmire and Monkland	0 1 3	0 1 9
South Great Eastern, No. 2	0 1 6	0 2 6
Great Western, contributing	0 2 4	0 2 7
Western Australia.		
Black Range	—	1 0 0
Chaffer's	0 0 6	—
Great Boulder	—	1 4 8
Ditto, No. 1	—	0 4 9
Ditto, Perseverance	—	0 5 9
Hainault	0 15 6	0 18 9
Queen Margaret	0 3 4	—

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Lloyd's, 5/; Wallaroo and Moonta, 35/3; Chillagoe (contg.), 4/6; Mungana, 6/5.

Silver.—British (old), 13/3; North Broken Hill, 29/6; B.H. South (contg.), 54/6; B.H. South (paid), 62/6; ditto, three weeks, 62/9; B.H. Proprietary, 53/; Junction North, 14/6, 14/7½.

Gold.—Great Northern, 7/; South Glanmire and Monkland, 1/6; New Hillgrove Proprietary, 9/3.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—Mount Morgan, 66/6; Mungana, 6/7.

Silver.—B.H. South (contg.), 55/; terms one month, 55/6; B.H. Junction North, 14/4; terms one month, 14/3; B.H. South Blocks, 10/4½.

Tin.—Gilmore Tin, 5/6.

Gold.—Harden, 22/6; Great Western (contg.), 2/5.

MINING NOTES.

Our Byron Bay correspondent telegraphs that the mining warden on Tuesday inspected and approved of a 100-acre lease on Tallow Beach. The lease has been applied for by Mr. Sacks for beach-mining purposes.

On Tuesday our Howell correspondent sent an account of trouble at the Conrad Stannite mines. Mr. H. C. Besley, general manager of the mine, says the statement is misleading and incorrect. No promise was made to allow the men to go back on wages. Two union men tried hard to get the miners to refuse contract work and strike, but every contract was taken at reasonable prices, without any delay, and the men are all at work, including an extra 30 from Millgrove.

Private cables received in Sydney state that amongst shares quoted in London on Monday were:—Block 10, 55/ (m); British Broken Hill, 13/3 (b); old, 13/ (b); Briseis, 10/ (b); Great Cobar, £6 (b); Broken Hill Proprietary, 54/4½ (b); Hampden, 10/ (b); Mount Elliott, 43/9 (m); Mount Lyell, 29/9 (b); Mount Morgan, 64/6 (b); B.H. North, 29/ (m); B.H. South (paid), 62/6 (m). The prices of metals were:—Copper, £64. Lead, £14/10/. Spelter, £20/10/. Silver, 2/1 13-16.

There was on view in the vestibule of the Mining Exchange yesterday a large sample of ore taken from No. 3 level east of the Burragorang Silver-mining Company's mine. A similar sample, only much larger, is to be sent to the Franco-British Exhibition in London. Mr. Basil Turner's assay of the ore gave this result:—Gold, 1dwt 12gr per ton; silver, 69oz 15dwt; and lead, 81.5 per cent. The depth from which the ore was taken is 360ft.

At the Lobb's Hole mine the turbine has been placed in position, and a start made to place the column for the new pump in the shaft. Some delay has been caused by the non-delivery of parts, but all the heavy construction work in connection with the plant is well in hand, and all should be completed by the end of January. A contract has been let for the manufacture of bricks for a reverberatory furnace, and as soon as these are ready the building of the furnace will begin.

A seam of good copper ore is showing in the east crosscut at the 560ft level of the C.S.A. mine. It is about 2ft wide, and in the back is a fair amount of yellow ore. In the west crosscut at the 457ft level there has come in from the north a white silicified ground, carrying a large amount of black copper ore. The crosscut is now in 415ft, and face samples at 387ft gave:—Copper 2.4 per cent., silver 1.468oz, gold 0.108oz. At 400ft: Copper 3.8 per cent., silver 0.65oz, gold 0.15oz. And at 410ft: Copper 4.2 per cent., silver 0.79oz.

The latest report of the Queen Bee Copper-mining Company's manager gives a good account of the mine workings. As to smelting, the reverberatory furnace smelted 124¾ tons ore (9.5 per cent.), and produced 34¾ tons matte (about 36 per cent.). The roaster was charged with 33½ tons matte, and tapped 10¾ tons blister copper. He had on hand on the 4th inst. refined copper and products estimated to contain about 57 tons copper. The small water-jacket is still idle, owing to want of coke.

Concerning last week's work at the Harden West mine the manager reports that No. 2 drive east was extended to 133ft from the crosscut. The oxidised stone cut out to 9in, but has since made to 10in, with 36in of lode material, which assays right across 12/6 per ton. So far the No. 2 level has disclosed 60ft of sulphide ore of an average width of 29in, and an assay value of 45/8 per ton, then a blank for 20ft; afterwards for 43ft the oxidised stone averages 36in wide, of an average assay value of 32/4 per ton. For a further 10ft the reef and lode formation is 24in wide, of an assay value of 12/6 per ton.

The directors of the Yarrara Mines Proprietary, near Germanton, have decided to form a fresh one to work the Perseverance and Just-in-Time blocks of 20 acres each, being portion of the Proprietary's area. Mr. E. W. Nardin, B.E., has recently visited and reported on the Perseverance mine. After giving it a careful examination he describes the reef as a true fissure, and makes such recommendations in regard to working as should make the mine payable. The results of six assays of stone from the bottom level—208ft—taken out by himself have given an average of 3oz gold per ton: the highest 8oz 13dwt, and the lowest 11dwt 12gr. His assays of stone from the higher levels were from 1½oz to 2¼oz per ton. The last small parcel (about 1½ ton) sent to Cockle Creek returned 4¼oz gold per ton.

"Investor" writes:—Over a year and a quarter ago a large number of people, on the statements that the Budgery mine was week by week going through a vast deposit of copper ore, invested their money in good faith that they would soon get good dividends, except for a short time sinking 168ft of the main shaft. This mine for over a year has never ceased lifting copper ore, the worth of which is 200 per cent. better than the Great Cobar. For a long time copper has averaged a higher price than in years gone by, and it is quite time something was done to realise on the huge dump of copper now on hand. Smelting on the ground would pay handsomely, and if the present directors will not at once see to this it is time the shareholders elected directors who will. From personal knowledge I am positive there is 40,000 tons of good ore at the 164ft level, and the deeper the winzes are sunk the better the red oxide copper ore shows.

SILVER QUEEN MINE.

Mr. P. J. Thibault, F.C.S., writes concerning the intelligence published in this column on Monday relating to the Silver Queen mine and the engagement of two leading Sydney metallurgists to check "results obtained by their own officials in cyaniding white rock ore, which, in days gone by, baffled experts." "Permit me," he says, "to state, most emphatically, that in days gone by the cyaniding of white rock ore did not baffle experts. As far back as 1898, whilst acting as metallurgical chemist for the White Rock Silver Mining Company, under the general management of Mr. Uriah Dudley as director, and Mr. E. A. Weinberg, I succeeded in cyaniding the ore from this mine with results equally as good as those obtained by the present company. No doubt the results of these tests are still preserved, and personally I hold papers certifying the fact."

MINING IN THE STATE.

WEST WYALONG, Wednesday.

The sheds and other buildings in connection with the Golden Fleece Company's plant have been completed, and the new machinery is now working splendidly. The last result of treatments shows that 14½ tons firsts yielded at the rate of 6oz 13gr per ton; 53 tons seconds 1oz 13dwt 2gr per ton at Cockle Creek works; and 118 tons of thirds treated at Sully's local battery gave a gross yield of 68oz 3dwt 8gr. The results of 17 tons firsts and 130 tons seconds of about similar quality ore despatched recently are not yet to hand. About 80 tons seconds and 10 tons firsts are now paddocked. Some extra good class ore is visible among the latter.

BROKEN HILL MINING.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The South mine management paid off over 200 men on Saturday, owing to the decision to reduce the output for the time. Both underground and mill hands are affected. The only contract for concentrates the South Company has yet made is for 1400 tons monthly, to Messrs. Lemperiere.

A number of men have also been put off from Block 10, and there is probability that unless the concentrates contract is promptly decided the mill may suspend operations until something is arranged. There is, however, a feeling that at least temporary arrangement will be made with some of the mines.

The British mine resumed mullocking underground to-day. The South Blocks mill last week ran 120 hours, and treated 1742 tons crudes, assaying 17.1 per cent. lead, 2.8oz silver, and 12.2 per cent. zinc, producing 328 tons concentrates. The only development work done was in the main shaft, which was sunk a further 8ft below the 440ft level.

The output from the South Blocks mine for December was 1405 tons concentrates, which contained 890.7 tons lead and 11284oz silver. The working costs totalled £6223, and net value of the output was estimated at £3882, while the profit was £1913.

Block 10 mine last week despatched 778 tons concentrates, leaving 116 tons in the bins.

The official shade temperature to-day was 106 degrees.

At the British mine the north drive on the 800ft level has been extended to 876ft, the last 4ft being in rhodonite mixed with bunches of ore. This rhodonite is probably an intrusion. So far 44ft of ore has been proved, in addition to the last 4ft of mixed material. For the week 855 tons of concentrates were sent away, leaving the bins bare. Two parties of mullockers were started on Monday filling in Marsh's and Block 15 stopes. While the mill is idle it is being overhauled, and repaired where necessary.

At the North mine at the end of last week there were 560 tons of concentrates on hand. Shipping will be resumed this week. The winding engine over the new shaft is now ready for work. The shaft is nearly ready for use down to the 950ft level; the crosscut on the 500ft level off the main drive is still in sulphides.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

W. A. mines: Associated, 19/, 18/9, 18/6, b 18/, s 18/9; ditto Northern, 14/, b 13/6, s 14/6; Great Boulder Perseverance, 5/4, b 5/3, s 5/5; Great Boulder, 23/6, b 23/4½, s 23/6; Lake View Consols, 7/7, 8/; Oroya Brown Hill, 16/9, 17/, b 16/9, s 17/6; Black Range, b 18/, s 20/; Gwalia South, paid, 21/6, 21/9, b 21/6, s 21/9.

Silver: B. H. Propy., 53/6, 54/6, 54/, b 54/, s 54/6; ditto, Block 14 (pref.), b 13/9, s 15/6; ditto (ord.), 15/; British B.H. (new), 10/3, 10/, 10/3, b 10/1½, s 10/3; B.H. Block 10, 54/6, 55/, b 55/, s 56/; North B.H., 30/, b 29/9, s 30/3; B.H. South, paid, 63/, 63/6, 65/, b 64/, s 65/6; ditto (con.), 55/, b 54/6, s 55/6; South Blocks, 10/, 10/3, b 10/, s 10/3; Burra Burra, paid, 2/4, b 2/, s 2/6.

Copper: Chillagoe, b 5/4, s 5/6; ditto (con.), 4/4, b 4/4, s 4/6; Hampden, Cloncurry, b 9/9, s 10/6; Mount Elliott, b 43/, s 44/; Mount Lyell, b 30/, s 30/6; Mungana, b 6/5, s 6/7; O.K., 5/2, b 5/2, s 5/3; Wallaroo, 35/, 34/9.

Tin: North Queensland, b 30/, s 45/; Stanary Hills, 1/7, b 1/6½, s 1/7½.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Sales: Chillagoe, contg., 4/4; Mungana, 6/5, 6/4.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Brilliant Central, s 5/3; B. Extended, 4/11, 5/2; Carrington, 2/1, 2/2; Mexican, 1/, 1/2; Alexandra, 2/, 2/2; Kelly's, 1/3, 1/6; Mills, 14/6, 15/3; Freeholds, 3/1, 3/4.

Sales: Brilliant, 3/4; Carrington, 2/, 2/1; Durhams, 2/6 to 2/2; Grant, 1/3; Kulamadau, 3/; Mills, 15/; Freehold, 3/3; Pfeiffers, 6/3; Talisman, /5½; Wallis, /3½.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

Quotations: No. 1 North Columbia and Smithfield, 1/9½, 1/10; No. 3 North Columbia and Smithfield, 10/, 14s; No. 3 North Columbia, /7, /10; Columbia Extended, s, 1/10; Great Northern, s, 7/; Great Western, 2/2, 2/11; Oriental and Glanmire, 5/6, 7/; No. 1 South Oriental and Glanmire, /9½, /11; North Smithfield, 7/, 8/; Two Mile, 1/6, 2/.

Sales: No. 1 North Columbia, 1/9½; No. 2 North Columbia, /7; No. 1 South Oriental and Glanmire, /10.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

Quotations:—Tasmania, b 11/6, s 11/6; North Farrell, b 11/9, s 12/6; Victoria Zeehan, 1/1½; Hercules, b 9/, s 10/6; Mount Lyell, b 29/, s 31/6; Tasmania Copper, b 6/, s 6/6; Mount Bischoff, b £23/15/, s £24/15/; North Eastern, s 35/; Mutual Hill, b 2/8, s 2/11.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

Silver: B.H. Block 10, 53/, 54/6, 54/9, b 54/9, s 55/; Block 14, b 14/9, s 15/1; British Broken, b 12/6; Broken Hill, 54/, 53/6, b 53/6, s 53/9; ditto Junction, b 1/5; ditto Junction North, b 14/1; ditto South, 54/3, 55/3, b 54/9, s 55/3; ditto (paid), 62/9, 62/6, 64/, 63/9, b 63/9, s 64/3; ditto South Blocks, 10/, b 10/; New White Leads /3, /4; North Broken, 30/1½, 30/4½, 30/, 30/4½, b 30/3, s 30/6.

Copper: Mount Lyell, 30/3, 29/7½, b 29/9, s 29/10½; Tasmanian Copper, 5/11, 6/, b 6/, s 6/1; Tasman and Crown Extended, 1/10, b 1/11; ditto (paid), 1/2½, 1/2, b 1/2, s 1/2½; Victoria Zeehan (paid), 1/11, b 1/10; Chillagoe, 4/5½, 4/7; ditto (paid), 5/6, 5/5, b 5/5½, s 5/6; Hampden, 10/1, 9/10, b 9/9, s 9/11; Macgregor, b 3/6, s 3/11; Mount Cannindah, b /3, s 1/; Mount Elliott, 43/6, b 43/6, s 43/9; Mount Molloy, b 9/3; Mungana, 6/6, 6/5, b 6/5, s 6/6; O.K. Copper (Adelaide reg.), b 5/1, s 5/3.

Tin: Bischoff, b 19/9, s 20/; Briseis, 10/3, 10/5, 10/3, b 10/3, s 10/4; Y Water, 7/, b 6/, s 8/.

Victorian gold mines: Central Cookman, 6/3; Glenline South, 2/6, 2/5, b 2/4, s 2/6; Hustler's Reef, 24/9, 29/6; Lady Nelson, 2/, s 2/1; Long Tunnel, £5/3/, £5/4/, b £5/5/; New Dempsey, 8/2, 8/, b 8/, s 8/3; New Moon, b 63/, s 70/; Porcupine, 1/6, b 1/3; Poseidon, 4/1, 6/4, b 6/3, s 6/6; Sailor's Falls, 3/4, b 1/3, s 1/5; S. German, 12/, b 11/, s 12/7; S. Prince Wales, 1/2; Spring Hill Leads, 6/2, b 6/.

W.A. gold: Barrambie Ranges, b 5/9, s 6/1; Barrambie, s 1/; Black Range, b 19/5, s 20/3; ditto Koh-i-noor, 3/, b 2/11, s 3/1; Havilah, b 8/1, s 8/9; Mararoa, s 11/; Tindals, 10/3, 10/6, b 10/3, s 10/6.

MINING IN TASMANIA.

THE MAGNET DIFFICULTY.

ZEEHAN, Wednesday.

The secretary of the Zeehan branch of the A.M.A. (Mr. Steve Ford) to-day received a cable from Mr. J. Praed, of the Victorian executive, instructing him to get Mr. J. Ogden, M.H.A., to proceed to Mt. Magnet to-morrow. Mr. Ford will probably accompany Mr. Ogden.

WESTERN TASMANIAN MINES.

ZEEHAN, Tuesday.

The ore body at the fourth stoped lode of the Hercules mine is nearly 10ft wide. The ore in the south end is above the average value, while a change is apparent in the face. In the north drive at No. 5 level at 700ft, the iron sulphide containing lead values is cutting out, and the characteristic black schist, which invariably carries copper ore, is coming in. In prospecting at the south lode surface a bunch of ore left there some years ago is developing satisfactorily, and a large tonnage should be secured without trouble. Values as now ascertained are extremely rich, particularly in gold and silver. Have despatched 245 tons of sulphides to Zeehan.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 15.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 53/9, s 55/; British Broken Hill, b 13/, s 14/; Block 10, b 53/9, s 56/3; North Broken Hill, b 28/9, s 30/; South Broken Hill, b 61/3, s 63/9.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Harden, No. 3 Level: Rise No. 3 east carried up 12ft, total height 47ft. Reef in back 32in wide, assaying 54s per ton. Mill ran 135 hours, crushing 251 tons. Cyanided 161 tons sands of assay value of 7s 6d per ton.

Great Western (Gympie): Shaft has been sunk a further 25ft, making total 141ft, of which 118ft has been close timbered. Country passed through changed from light grey sandstone to dark calcareous shale.

Great Southern Consols, Rutherglen.—Repairs to machinery and pithead pulleys completed, and men started below 3rd inst. Everything now in good working order.

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AMUSEMENTS.

TOWN HALL ORGAN RECITALS.

Mr. T. H. Massey opened his classic matinee before an unusually large audience at the Town Hall yesterday, choosing the fourth of Mendelssohn's six sonatas for the initiatory number. The melodious yet elevated character of these works is well known, and when played, as by this artist, with sympathetic insight, they exercise an influence as fresh and tender as if composed yesterday. Another familiar classic was presented in the Bach "Prelude and Fugue in B minor," whilst amongst the novelties Max Bruch's Adagio and Wolstenholme's "Overture in F major" must be especially mentioned. Max Bruch's piece, in which the mellow tones of a stop belonging to the horn tribe were employed with an exquisite melancholy, was captivating in its changeful charm. The overture, with a buoyant movement in which the foundational tones predominated, furnished a good example of the modern concert piece. Mr. Massey played it brilliantly, and with due regard to the sudden contrasts by which the interest of the whole is sustained. An excellent programme was closed with the finale from the "New World Symphony" (Dvorak). Mr. T. H. Massey will give his last recital on Saturday, when the programme will again include his own "Military Fantasia."

"THE YEOMEN OF THE GUARD."

The Beale Musical Society showed considerable enterprise in their choice of "The Yeomen of the Guard" for their season of three nights at the Royal Standard Theatre, and it is satisfactory to be able to record that the initiatory performance last evening resulted in a creditable success. "The grim old keep" which gives the atmosphere to W. S. Gilbert's serious story has also attuned the musical part of the opera to the romantic rather than the comic category. This fact proved rather trying to the singers at times; but on the whole visitors to the theatre this evening and to-morrow will derive enjoyment from their renewed acquaintance with the work. Mr. A. J. Walker conducted the orchestra, in which his pianist (Miss E. Dight) was always sure, but the other musicians were at times uncertain. The martial effect of the choral greeting to the supposed Leonard Meryll was certainly weak, though the yeomen had been drilled by Mr. A. J. Walker into a confident rendering of their music. One of the best ensembles was the tumultuous reception of the merryman and his maid. Taken all round, Mr. Frank Outred's Jack Point was the best impersonation in the cast, and the actor was well dressed for the part. Mr. H. Perfect had an excellent idea of the gloomy humour of Shadbolt the gaoler, and Miss Celia Onslow's fresh voice and spirited acting as Phoebe won her an encore for "Were I Thy Bride." Mr. W. H. Clarke, though he did not look the part of Colonel Fairfax, sang it acceptably, and deserved his encore for "Is Life a Boon?" Mr. J. M'Cardell acted well as Sergeant Meryll, and Miss Lottie Hedmayne, as Elsie, who was well suited by the high range of "'Tis done! I am a Bride," accepted the encore at that point. Some of the minor characters were not well filled, Mr. W. Watson's Leonard Meryll representing a weak spot in the cast; but, as already hinted, great care in rehearsing (with Mrs. Fred. England as stage manager), suitable mounting, and a well-trained chorus, ensured an amateur performance which should prove of value in establishing the Beale Musical Society.

ENMORE CHORAL SOCIETY.

The twelfth concert of the Enmore Choral Society was held on Tuesday in St. George's Hall, Newtown, when Coleridge Taylor's cantata, "Hiawatha," was staged. This was the first performance of the full work in Sydney. There was a good attendance. A large and well-trained choir rendered the choruses in an efficient manner under the conductorship of Mr. George Grimm. An orchestra of 25 performers, led by Mr. H. Stone, supplied the incidental music. Miss Mabel Batchelor and Messrs. S. J. Beaumont and Hugh Beauchamp were the soloists.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

Entries for the second day's racing in connection with the opening meeting of the Victoria Park Racing Club must be in the hands of the secretary, Mr. S. Peters, before 5 p.m. to-day. The card comprises seven events, carrying £240 prize money, and the principal race, the Victoria Park Handicap, run over seven furlongs, is endowed with £60. Particulars can be seen in our advertising sheets.

Septic out of the Trial Stakes and Featherstitch (imp.) out of the Challenge Stakes were the withdrawals recorded yesterday from the A.J.C. Anniversary Meeting.

The gelding Yorick was included among the starters for the Flying Handicap at Victoria Park yesterday, but he broke down at an early stage, and practically took no part in the contest.

Messrs. William Inglis and Son announce through our business columns that at noon to-day they will submit for sale by public auction the bay mare by The Friar from Alma, 5 years.

A most exciting finish was fought out at Victoria Park yesterday between Chimes and Letitia for the well-endowed Victoria Park Handicap all the way down the straight, the former winning in the last few strides by a very narrow margin. A further incentive towards victory, besides the prize, was a first-class jockey's saddle, donated by Messrs. Robinson and Sons, of Redfern, for presentation to the rider of the winner, and in due course J. Bindon, who piloted Chimes, was presented with the trophy.

The jockey C. Naulty had a successful time at Victoria Park yesterday, when he steered the winners of three races in succession.

VICTORIA PARK RACING CLUB.

NEW RACECOURSE OPENED.

The new racecourse, near Zetland, formed by the Victoria Park Racing Club, was the scene of a large assemblage of sporting folk yesterday, when the first day's racing of the opening meeting was held. The attendance numbered upwards of 6000 persons, and among the visitors were the Minister for Education (Mr. Hogue), the Minister for Agriculture (Mr. Perry), and a number of members of the Legislative Assembly. The weather was fine and seasonably warm, but a strong nor'-easterly breeze, heavily dust-laden, somewhat discounted the pleasure of the outing. The management had made ample preparation for the comfort and convenience of the gathering, the transit arrangements were efficiently conducted, and the card was run through without hitch or mishap. The cinder track was in use, and proved excellent going, while the sport was of a very interesting character, several of the finishes being so close that the results were in doubt until the numbers were hoisted. The racecourse and its appointments, which are up-to-date in every respect, evoked the most favourable comment from the visitors, and the officials carried out their duties in a satisfactory manner, under the supervision of the secretary, Mr. S. Peters. The details of the racing are subjoined:—

Flying Handicap of 30 sovs, second 2, and third 1 sov from the prize, all horses, 5f.—J. Duncan, jun.'s b f Lorraine, by Malster—Lovelorn, 3yrs, 7st 5lb (Russell), 1; Pivot, 8st (Vick), 2; Rustemata, 7st 5lb (Barnett), 3. Other starters: Sarsfield, 9st 8lb; Remark, 8st 11lb; Rex, 7st 5lb; Yorick, 7st 5lb; Rosemore, 7st 5lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v Pivot, 3 to 1 v Rex, 4 to 1 v Remark, 9 to 2 v Lorraine, 5 to 1 v Rustemata, 10 to 1 v others. Won by two lengths, three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time, 1m 5s.

Maiden Handicap of 30 sovs, second 4, and third 1 sov from the prize, 4f.—J. W. Morton's b m Find Out, by Regained—My Change, 6yrs, 8st (C. Naulty), 1; Gillie, 8st (V. Fletcher), 2; Kennersley, 8st 12lb (G. Russell), 3. Other starters: Fair Blayney, 8st 12lb; Walter, 8st 6lb; Wirragella, 8st 5lb; Sedge Girl, 8st 5lb; Kenma, 8st 2lb; Blancha, 8st 2lb; Columbus, 8st; Gerald, 8st; Solo, 8st; Reward, 8st; Dulcie, 7st 13lb; Miss Rumley, 7st 12lb; Larah, 7st 13lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Kennersley, 4 to 1 v Wirragella, 5 to 1 each v Fair Blayney and Gillie, 7 to 1 each v Reward and Find Out, 10 to 15 to 1 v others. Won by half a length, a head between second and third. Time, 1m 1s.

Fourteen Hands Handicap of 25 sovs, second 2, and third 1 sov from the prize, 4½f.—J. Duncan, jun.'s b m Tod, by Ennistymon—King's Own mare, 5yrs, 7st 12lb (C. Naulty), 1; Lily B., 8st 6lb (J. Logue), 2; Daisy II., 7st 6lb (V. Fletcher), 3. Other starters: Silver Rose, 9st 7lb; Astoria, 8st 12lb; Haut Girl, 7st 7lb; Bow Bell, 7st; Rifle Bird, 7st. Betting 5 to 2 each v Daisy II. and Silver Rose, 5 to 1 v Haut Girl, 6 to 1 v Lily B., 7 to 1 v Tod, 10 to 12 to 1 v others. Won by a neck, a length between second and third. Time, 1m 0½s.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 5f.—J. Miller's ch m Miss Mayfield, by Beauchamp (imp.)—Mayfield, 4yrs, 7st 4lb (C. Naulty), 1; Report, 8st 11lb (J. Cailey), 2; Klondyke, 7st 12lb (Barnett), 3. Other starters: Loongana, 9st 8lb; Kaedi, 8st 3lb; Bluey, 7st 12lb; Black Piper, 7st 8lb; Cash, 7st 2lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Bluey, 3 to 1 v Kaedi, 5 to 1 each v Miss Mayfield and Loongana, 7 to 1 v Klondyke, 10 to 1 v others. Won by six lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 6¼s.

Encourage Stakes, a handicap of 25 sovs, second 3, and third 1 sov from the prize, 7f.—P. Dale's ch m Kitty Merv, by Merv (imp.)—Bridesmaid, 6yrs, 8st (G. Russell), 1; Durham Court, 9st 4lb (S. M'Donald), 2; Glitter, 8st 7lb (A. Thompson), 3. Other starters: The Flat, 8st 5lb; Stuart, 8st 3lb; Fearless, 8st 2lb; Mist, 7st 13lb; Support, 7st 13lb; Alarm, 7st 11lb; Lira, 7st 6lb; Phroso, 7st 7lb; Pilot Boy, 7st 7lb; Progress, 7st 7lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v Durham Court, 4 to 1 each v Glitter and Pilot Boy, 6 to 1 v Alarm, 7 to 1 v Lira, 8 to 1 each v Support and Kitty Merv, 10 to 1 v others. Won by a head, a similar trifle separating second and third. Time, 58½s.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 5f.—G. Flood's ch m Hipbah, by Niagara—Hepzibah, aged, 7st (V. Fletcher), 1; Spider, 7st 5lb (J. Cook), 2; Realm, 8st (J. Bindon), 3. Other starters: Little Fellow, 8st 13lb; Hussy, 7st 7lb; Brindabella, 7st 2lb; Daffodil, 7st; Easy Molly, 7st; My Fancy, 7st. Betting: 6 to 4 v Hipbah, 3 to 1 v Spider, 4 to 1 v Realm, 6 to 1 v Easy Molly, 10 to 1 v others. Won by a length and a half, half a length between second and third. Time, 1m 5¼s.

Victoria Park Handicap of 200 sovs, second 30, and third 20 sovs from the prize, 6f.—P. Dale's ch m Chimes, by Kingsley (imp.)—Lily Thorne, 5yrs, 7st 7lb (J. Bindon), 1; Leticia, 8st (A. Thompson), 2; Fuse, 7st 7lb (H. Russell), 3. Other starters: Sarsfield, 9st 8lb; Blue Diamond, 9st 5lb; Brother Jack, 8st 4lb; Saucy Kate, 8st; Harbour Light, 8st 7lb; Klarum, 8st 5lb; Noreen, 8st 4lb; Telowar, 8st 3lb; Sparrow, 7st 12lb; Quality, 7st 8lb; Kilcoy, 7st 8lb; Matador, 7st 7lb; Reliance, 7st 7lb; Reginald, 7st 5lb; My Own, 7st 5lb. Betting: 5 to 1 each v Chimes and Black Diamond, 6 to 1 v Brother Jack, 7 to 1 each v Reginald and Leticia, 8 to 1 each v Harbour Light and Klarum, 10 to 1 each v Sparrow and Kilcoy, 15 to 20 to 1 v others. Won by a short head, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 19s.

The New Year meeting of the Orange Jockey Club was the most successful in the history of the club, the actual net profit being £395 5s 9d. The March meeting promises also to be very successful, and the committee is making extensive preparations to ensure the comfort of patrons and induce owners to nominate largely. The sum of £350 has been voted for prize money, and in addition to that Dr. Watson has secured the sum of £100 for the Orange Cup, making an aggregate of £456. The programme is now being considered, and a hurdle race is almost certain of inclusion. A telegraph office is to be included in the appointments of the course, and probably a telephone office, as the installation of the latter is being considered. Various improvements will be made to the appointments, including the covering of the seats in the grand stand, the extension of the refreshment bar, a tea room, and other things, which will make racing in Orange very much more comfortable than hitherto. A circular letter has been addressed to some 22 Western racing clubs, inviting consideration of the proposal to form a Western Racing Association, and a meeting in pursuance thereof will be held at Bathurst during the race meeting at Anniversary time.

The annual meeting of the Braidwood Turf Club was held last week, when a satisfactory report was presented. The following officers were elected:—Messrs. Austin Chapman, M.P., and Col. Ryrie, M.L.A., patrons; Mr. H. G. Hassall, president; Messrs. W. E. Royds, J. M'Kellar, E. M. Royds, E. Maddrell, and W. Gracie, vice-presidents; Mr. W. J. Chapman, judge; Mr. R. Dawson, treasurer; and Mr. T. Musgrave, secretary. It was decided to hold the annual races on February 26 and 27, when £220 will be given in prizes.

Continental buyers were well in evidence at the December blood stock sales at Newmarket (Eng.) on the opening day. The French sportsman, M. Halbroun, gave 910 guineas for the five-year-old mare, Nortonis, by Gallinule from Terezol, and 480 guineas for Daira, a ten-year-old full-sister to Condor. Count Lehndorff got Scotch Mistake, a four-year-old mare, by Ayrshire from Miss Springfield, for 1400 guineas; Captain Dewhurst paid 1000 guineas for Chiavenna, a five-year-old mare by Gallinule from Bellinzona; and Mr. Abe Bailey secured the St. Simon horse Sidus (10 years) for 1250 guineas. Big prices were paid on the second day, when Count Lehndorff gave 2100 guineas for the six-year-old mare, Pomegranate, by Persimmon from Briar-root, and 320 guineas for Economy, by Melanion from Ways and Means. M. Camille Blanc paid 2000 guineas for Lady Bengoyne, by Ladas from Burgonet; M. Halbroun paid 1450 guineas for Sweet Hilda, by Pepper and Salt from Boyne; 1200 guineas for Perpetua, by St. Simon from Splendid; 500 guineas for Briesis, by Galopin from Briar-root; 1000 guineas for Diamond Crescent, by Diamond Jubilee from Cynthia II.; and 260 guineas for Miss Musker, by Orion from Miss Bellena; while Mr. F. H. Potts bought Presentation, by Orion from Dubia for 2000 guineas. Figures did not range so high on the third day, but among M. Halbroun's purchases were Bibiani, by Chidwick from Goldmine, for 1100 guineas, and Dorothy Suhr, by Rightaway from Brilliantine, for 600 guineas; while Mr. F. H. Potts secured a mare, by Ladas from Lock and Key, for 1000 guineas. On the fourth day, Mr. A. Taylor gave 1050 guineas for Illustrious, a four-year-old mare by Isinglass from Crown Jewel; the V.R.C. Maribyrnong Plate winner, Nipheton, a mare by Bill of Portland from Tea Rose, was purchased by Captain Featherstonhaugh for 200 guineas; M. Halbroun gave 900 guineas for the filly Orwell, by Matchmaker from Queen of the Rivers, and 1000 guineas for b m Sandflake, by Trenton from Sandiway. M. Blanc paid 1400 guineas for the filly Reckless, by Gallinule from Virginia Farie, and 1550 guineas for the mare Shelduck, by Gallinule from Brilliance; Mr. F. Cobb gave 1150 guineas for the two-year-old gelding, Whiting, by Diakka from Queen of the Fishes; Madame le Maire de Villiers gave 1100 guineas for Crimps, a daughter of Sainfoin and Common Talk, and 550 guineas for a four-year-old mare, by Persimmon from Ella Tweed; and Baron Oppenheim paid 1000 guineas for the mare Desirer, by Velasquez from Darkie.

The top price of 4000 guineas at the December blood stock sales at Newmarket (Eng.) on the closing day was given by Mr. Ernest Tanner for a two-year-old colt Spinning Solly, by Soliman—son of St. Simon—from Little Red Spinner, by Bonnet Rouge from Little Twin, by Tertius from Polpetti, by Macaroni. The only other to run into four figures was the four-year-old horse Oakleigh II., by Begonia from Iroquoise, for whom Lord Derby gave 1200 guineas.

On the concluding day of the blood stock December sales at Newmarket (Eng.) the ex-New Zealand sportsman, Mr. S. H. Gollan, sold half a dozen of his horses in training as under:—Ethel M'Carthy, by Sternchaser, son of Nordenfeldt from Bessie M'Carthy, 5 years, for 150 guineas; a three-year-old gelding, full brother to Ethel M'Carthy, for 75 guineas; a two-year-old sister to the same mare for 45 guineas; a two-year-old gelding by Soliman from Tirade, for 45 guineas; a two-year-old filly by the same sire, from Streuse, for 60 guineas; and a two-year-old filly by Sternchaser, from Clach-na-Cudden, for 40 guineas.

Berridale Jockey Club race meeting, to be held on February 5, has been granted registration by the A.J.C.

The Randwick trainer W. Kelso, has decided on a visit to England, and will start for the old country on the 9th prox. Kelso does not take any horses with him, but he will be accompanied by the successful lightweight, J. E. Pike, who will, probably, ride in England during the current season. During his stay in the old country, Kelso's team will be looked after by some of the Randwick trainers, but final arrangements have not yet been made. The Castaway, however, goes into I. Earnshaw's stable.

Before the start for the Welter Purse at Mentone on Saturday the mare Esker broke away, and was not brought under control until the judge's box was reached. When taken to the weighing enclosure it was represented that she had broken a blood vessel, and from the position of favourite she travelled badly in the betting market. In the race she ran wide in the straight, but just got up in time to win. Subsequently the mare underwent a veterinary examination by the club's official, who stated that the mare had not broken a blood vessel, but there was a small cut on her nose, which was probably caused through coming in contact with a piece of wire when she bolted. The stewards administered a severe caution to H. Farmer, the trainer of the mare, for making a misleading statement.

Unless the stock regulations are annulled in the eastern States (says a Perth, W.A., exchange), Mr. Connolly will not be able to send Post Town away, as he intended. It appears that the regulations hold good in Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sydney, and horses from Western Australia cannot be landed in the eastern States named until the expiration of a year. Post Town will, therefore, not be able to run in this year's Melbourne Cup.

LISMORE JOCKEY CLUB.

LISMORE, Tuesday.

The following weights have been declared for the principal events in connection with the Lismore Jockey Club's races:—

Town Plate, once round.—Noble Lad, 10st 3lb; Uella, 9st 13lb; Good Shot, 9st 5lb; Clarendo, 8st 10lb; Marquis, 8st 4lb; True Girl, 8st; Coraki, 7st 13lb; Sirocco, 7st 10lb; Athlete, 7st 7lb; Thorma, 7st 4lb; Wandell, 7st 3lb.

Club Handicap, 9f.—Noble Lad, 10st 2lb; Uella, 9st 13lb; Good Shot, 9st 4lb; Clarendo, 9st; Marquis, 8st 5lb; True Girl, 7st 13lb; Coraki, 7st 13lb; Sirocco, 7st 11lb; Athlete, 7st 6lb; Thorma, 7st 3lb; Wandell, 7st.

TASMANIAN RACING CLUB.

HOBART CUP ENTRIES.

HOBART, Tuesday.

Following are the entries for the Hobart Cup, 1¼m.—St. Joe, The Nine, Mathinna, Serene, Harkaway, Hospodar, Admirer, Neirbo, Lancastrite, Mary F., Iliad, Merry Monarch, Vim, Regret, Tulkeroo, Zepho, Watchful, Nordenfeldt, Drumreagh, Green Valley, Kalnuck, Viola, Homer, Apex, Royal Star, Lochino, Grafton Lad, Rhapsody, Beltana, Boyong, The Jew, Boidol, Woorooma, Edenholme, Autumn, Clansman, Phoebus.

RACECOURSES LICENSED.

Racecourses have been licensed for the current year as follow:—

For Horseracing.—Adelong, Adaminaby, Armidale, Albury, Ashford, Adelong Crossing, Albion Park, Baan Baa, Ballina, Baradine, Bendemeer, Bega, Bowral, Bowraville, Breeza, Byrock, Bobadah, Bookhara, Booma, Boggabilla, Binalong, Bong Bong, Bourah, Balranald, Bemboka, Boggabri, Bowna, Broadwater, Bungendore, Burraga, Bathurst, Bevendale, Boolaroo, Broke, Broken Hill, Beablebar (Mullengudgery), Bingara, Braidwood, Burrowa, Byron Bay, Coonamble, Carinda, Coonabarabran, Coraki, Corowa, Cathcart, Cootamundra, Canterbury Park, Condobolin, Coolah, Canowindra, Cowra, Crudine, Casilis, Cobbora, Crookwell, Cullenbone, Cobar, Collarendabri, Deepwater, Dalgety, Durham Court (Manilla), Dunn's Plains (Rockley), Dubbo, Deniliquin, Daysdale, Darlington Point, Dolgelly, Europambela (near Walcha), Eulomo (Bethungra), Farrendale, Forbes, Forbes District Picnic Race Club's course, Grafton, Goulburn, Greenwood Vale, Garah, Gilgandra, Glen Innes, Gladstone, Gulargambone, Guyra, Guy Fawkes, Grenfell, Gundagai, Gunnedah, Gulgong, Germanton, Hastings River Jockey Club's racecourse (Port Macquarie), Hawkesbury, Hay, Heddon Greta, Henty, Howlong, Inverell, Jennings, Jerilderie, Jugiong, Jerry's Plains, Kyogle, Kiah Lake (Berridale), Kulki (Argoon), Lawrence, Lyndhurst, Lionsville and Yugilbar, Leadville, Lismore, Lake Eliza, Lithgow, Lake Cudgellico, Lagoon (Uralla), Langboyd, Lockhart, Mandurama, Manning River Jockey Club's course (Taree), Marengo, Merton (Denman), Mongarlowe, Morago, Mudgee, Moree, Murrumburrah, Moama, Murrumbidgee Turf Club's racecourse (Wagga Wagga), Major's Creek, Michelago, Milbrulong, Moruya Park, Mount Fairy, Merrygoen, Mathoura, Moorefield, Narrango, Narromine, Newbridge, Nundle, Narrabri, Nevertire, Neville, Nowra, Narandera, Newcastle, North Bourke, Nyngan Picnic Race Club's course, Overton, Orange, Orton Park (Yetman), Oxley, Piper's Flat (Portland), Peak Hill, Porter's Retreat (Oberon), Pambula, Queanbeyan, Quirindi, Randwick, Rocky Glen, Rosehill, Reefton, Rylston, Richmond River Turf Club's course (Casino), Roslyn, Satur (Scone), Skellatar (Muswellbrook), Stuart Town, Springwood (North Berry Jerry), Tirranna, Tantawanglo, Tathra, Towamba, Tubbul, Tumbarumba, Tambar Amateur Picnic Turf Club's course; Tygalgah (Murwillumbah), Trunkey Creek, The Lagoon (near Bathurst), Tamworth, Tibooburra, Tingha, Ti-tree (Cooma), Temora, Terry-hie-hie, Trangie, Tumut, Upper Manning Jockey Club's racecourse (Wingham), Uralgurra, Vegetable Creek (Emmaville), Victoria Hotel (near Menindie), Warialda, Wanaaring (Paroo A.T. Club), Wattle Flat, Wauchope, Whitton, Wollongong, Wombat, Wallsend, Wellington, Woodstock, Warren, Wallabadah, Wee Waa, Wentworth, Warwick (Kempsey), Warwick Farm, Walcha, Walgett, West Wyalong, Woolabra, Yass Picnic Race Club's course, Yantabulla, Yamble, Young.

For Trotting.—Bathurst, Broadwater, Cowra, Deniliquin, Epping, Goulburn, Jerry's Plains, Kurrajong, Moama, Narandera, Pambula, Reefton, Springwood (North Berry Jerry), Tantawanglo, Wollongong.

For Pony Racing.—Ascot, Bingara, Kensington, Rosebery, Victoria Park.

GOLF.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The committee of the Goulburn Golf Club gave a trophy for a match against bogey by the visiting Sydney ladies. Miss Wray, who returned the good card of 87, being 4 up on bogey, was the winner. Scores:—

Miss Wray (scr.), 4 up.
Miss Clift (hdcp 5), 3 down.
Miss Langer Owen (hdcp 6), 4 down.
Mrs. Thiel (hdcp 8), 5 down.
Mrs. Langer Owen (hdcp 6), 8 down.
Mrs. Christian (hdcp 14), 11 down.

BOWLS.

WARRINGAH v ST. GEORGE.

Played on St. George green at Rockdale on Tuesday evening, under the electric light recently installed, and won by Warringah by 23 points.

	W.	St. G.
Alderson, Hinds, Bingham, Gordon	21	—
Brand, Gibbons, Haslehurst, M'Millan	—	22
Dennon, Marshall, Walters, Lee	26	—
Jones, Gowen, Reed, Anderson	—	12
Amery, Hyndanes, Irving, Denyer	23	—
Rowbotham, Hamilton, Parish, Larbalestier	—	16
Pietzcker, Bryce, Clews, Stinson	20	—
Kelly, Gorman, Butchart, Wright	—	17
Total	90	67

ORANGE, Wednesday.

A match was played to-day between teams from the Orange and Bathurst bowling clubs, in continuation of the competition for the Singer Cup and the N.S.W. Bowling Association's shield. Results:—

	B.	O.
Mitchell, Rigby, Edgley, A. Gartrell	36	—
Warren, Bernasconi, Thwaite, Davis	—	14
Parkes, Amos, Curtis, Allison	20	—
Smythe, Seymour, Roos, Lee	—	20
Suttor, Kirkpatrick, Ennis, W. H. Gartrell	31	—
Barrett, Tibbits, Riddle, Bonnor	—	18
Totals	87	52

CYCLING AND MOTORING.

BURWOOD CYCLING CLUB.

The Burwood Bicycle Club has arranged to hold a mile track race at Granville on Anniversary Day in conjunction with the Granville Club sports. Entries close on January 18.

The Burwood Club will hold a half-mile track race at the Sports Ground, Moore Park, on February 8, and on February 17 a ten-mile handicap race for Dr. Harrison trophy. Entries for this event close on February 10.

ANNANDALE BICYCLE CLUB.

At the last meeting of the Annandale Club Mr. George Sully was presented with a gold medal, for the highest number of runs for the half-year ending December.

NEW MOTOR CAR.

The Renault car, made in France, has of recent years been in such demand that the makers have found it impossible to fulfil all their orders. Within the last few days a sample of the 10-14 h.p. Renault has been landed in Sydney by Mr. E. S. Turner, of the General Motor Company. It has already attracted considerable attention, not only on account of its neat and compact design, but because of the many ingenious and practical ideas embodied in its construction. Like the larger models, described in these columns some months ago, the 10-14 h.p. Renault is fitted with a four-cylinder engine, with mechanically operated valves. The cylinders are cast in pairs, and the crank chamber has three main bearings, which support the crank shaft. The crank shaft is turned out of the solid, and all parts, such as timing gears, camshaft, cardan, and driving pinions for magneto, are enclosed in the crank chamber. The ignition, lubrication, water circulation, etc., is the same as in the larger models. A feature about the 10-14 h.p. Renault, which should commend itself to Australian buyers is its great road clearance. In this, as in almost every important detail, the new arrival is supplied with all those desirable features which even in the older models have made so famous the Renault productions. Fitted with a five-seated body, painted in dark red with black lines, and upholstered in red leather, the new model looks one of the finest cars that has reached this city for some time.

MOTOR RACING IN 1908.

Preparations are already being made in Continental circles for this year's motor races. Flat cars will again be seen in all the leading events. Mr. Edge has stated that six-cylinder Napiers can be counted on as competitors in the important races of the year. The De Dietrich team will, as before, be composed of Duray, Rougier, and Gabriel, and the Mercedes vehicles will be driven by Poege and Salzer. Weigel motors will be represented in the Grand Prix and other events by three specially built cars. The Aeriel Company will have two machines in the Grand Prix. The Pipe and Benz firms will give strong support to racing this season, and many other famous cars will again be on the warpath.

CRICKET.

WINCHCOMBE, CARSON, AND CO., LTD., v N. Z. LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY, CO., LTD.

Played on the Manly Oval on Tuesday, and won by the former by 1 wicket and 156 runs. Each side played 12 men. Scores:—

N. Z. L. and M. A. Co., Ltd.

Robinson, c Holdsworth, b Viles	0
L. Minnett, b Garrett	42
W. Caswell, c Bowden, b Garrett	23
Ferguson, lbw, b Garrett	7
Sheath, c Bowden, b Simpson	8
Jones, b Bowden	16
Cox, b Simpson	1
Robertson, b Simpson	11
Fisher, c Harris, b Bowden	5
Macdonald, not out	2
Welman, st Turton, b Bowden	0
Cousens, c Bowden, b Viles	1
Sundries	15
	131

Bowling: Viles, two for 24; Bowden, three for 27; Garrett, three for 29; Simpson, three for 25.

W. C. and Co., Ltd.

Bowden, b Minnett	9
F. Johnston, c Ferguson, b Robinson	1
Holdsworth, b Minnett	35
Viles, b Minnett	0
Hawthorne, b Robinson	4
Turton, c Macdonald, b Robinson	77
Simpson, b Minnett	4
Medcalfe, b Minnett	0
Garrett, not out	91
Buckland, c Welman, b Robinson	1
Harris, c Macdonald, b Cousens	17
Dowsett, not out	13
Sundries	37
	289

Bowling: Minnett, five for 64; Robinson, four for 59; Caswell, none for 16; Ferguson, none for 22; Sheath, none for 16; Jones, none for 13; Cousens, one for 18; Fisher, none for 15; Macdonald, none for 10.

INTER-BANK MATCH.

A match between the Union and Government Savings Banks was played at Rushcutter Bay Oval, the former winning by four wickets and 17 runs. Scores:—

Government Savings Bank.

Stack, b Williams	24
Portus, c and b Williams	21
Parish, b Williams	6
Ironsides, run out	5
Davis, c Reeve, b Williams	0
Breden, b Mikkelsen	14
Croal, c Milsop, b Moorhouse	9
Gibbs, not out	24
Smith, c Mikkelsen, b Moorehouse	8
Steel, b Williams	1
Hewitt, c Howarth, b Williams	0
Sundries	10
Total	108

Bowling.—Williams, six wickets for 32; Moorhouse, two for 11; Mikkelsen, one for 16.

Union Bank.

Mikkelsen, c Ironsides, b Parish	0
Flower, b Parish	6
Milsop, lbw, b Portus	40
Moorhouse, how, b Davis	9
Boulton, c Davis, b Gibbs	14
Williams, not out	42
Cunningham, c and b Portus	0
Gullett, not out	7
Sundries	5
Six wickets for	123

CITY TEACHERS v COUNTRY TEACHERS.

Played at Petersham on Monday. Scores:—

City.

R. Walker, run out	6
W. Whitting, c Wilson, b M'Dougall	100
W. Farnsworth, b Wilson	66
C. Schrader, c and b Edwards	71
G. Myers, b M'Dougall	0
S. Richardson, b Wilson	2
C. Channon, b Wilson	5
F. Murphy, st Selden, b M'Dougall	0
P. Shortland, not out	20
E. Aellick, b Wilson	0
Sundries	47
Total	325

Country.

J. Myers, c and b Whitting	16
C. Selden, b Richardson	83
C. M'Dougall, b Channon	9
H. Edwards, lbw, Whitting	25
W. Wilson, b Richardson	23
F. Longley, c Channon, b Whitting	10
H. Campling, st Farnsworth, b Whitting	14
A. Blackler, b Shortland	4
G. Green, not out	1
N. Nicholls, b Whitting	4
Sundries	52
Total	249

TEACHERS v UNIVERSITY.

The New South Wales teachers met the University on the Sydney Cricket Ground on Monday. Scores:—

University.

White, retired	56
Lane, c and b Whitting	1
M'Elhone, retired	70
Harvey, c and b Whitting	22
Stack, c and b Channon	11
Mackay, c and b Schrader	6
Hughes, c and b Schrader	29
Massie, run out	6
Matthews, not out	14
James, b Whitting	16
Nathan, c and b Wilson	3
Sundries	26
Total	265

Teachers.

Gound, b Stack	12
Edwards, run out	4
Whitting, c and b Nathan	28
Seldon, b Matthews	17
Schrader	6
Myers, not out	47
Wilson, b Stack	19
Channon, c and b White	13
Green, not out	17
Sundries	13
Seven wickets for	175

NEW SOUTH WALES PRESBYTERIAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

The result and point scores to-date are:—

Ultimo Presbyterian Church	10
Stanmore	8
Hunter-Baillie	8
Chalmer's	6
Petersham	4
Scots	0

TEACHERS TAUGHT CRICKET.

On Saturday the teachers attending the summer school at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College tried conclusions with the Richmond Juniors, on the Richmond Park. So good was the Richmond bowling that the total score of the teachers was only 22. Richmond bowling analysis reads:—L. Marlin, six for 13; Tom Williams, four for 1. The Juniors replied with 65 runs, of which H. Douglass made 26 not out, L. Marlin and C. Carter 10 each. In their second innings the teachers lost seven wickets for 54. For Richmond H. Douglass took four wickets for 19 runs; W. Douglass, one for 1; H. O'Neill, one for 1; and Marlin, one for 31.

RICHMOND, Wednesday.

The cricket match between the Richmond Juniors and Windsor Oxford was won by Richmond.

SAILING.

PITTWATER REGATTA.

The programme for the Pittwater annual regatta on February 1 contains no fewer than 14 important sailing and rowing events. There is a champion 16-footer race, for the winner of which there is a cup valued £10 10s, and £12 added money; handicaps for boats from 14 to 18 feet, and from 14 to 24 feet, a handicap for fishing boats, and a motor launch race. The rowing events include single and double sculling races for men, single and double sculls, races for ladies, mixed double sculls, races for youths under 18, boys under 14, girls under 14, and a mixed double sculls for boys and girls under 16.

SWIMMING.

DRUMMOYNE CLUB.

ANNUAL CARNIVAL.

The annual carnival of the Drummoyne Club was held last night in the local municipal baths. There was an excellent attendance, the racing was interesting, and the officials carried out their duties with clock-like regularity. A feature of the proceedings was the musical programme.

The officials were:—Referee, G. H. Stainley; judges, P. Murphy, A. W. Griffiths, E. Howes; starter, C. E. Morgan; check starter, R. Keers; timekeepers, W. T. Kerr, W. Hayman; costume steward, C. D. Jones; result steward, A. Fenton; call stewards, J. Salmon, H. Bebb; clerk of the course, R. Hart. Results:—

Davis Hundred (members' club handicap), 100yds.—First heat: S. Wright, scr, 1; F. Clare, 8s, 2. Time, 1m 8 1-5s. Second heat: H. Bebb, 4s, 1; A. Wright, 11s, 2. Time, 1m 9 4-5s. Third heat: F. Christiansen, scr, 1; A. Goldstone, 12s, 2. Time, 1m 6s. Fourth heat: K. Dodds, 10s, 1; K. Boyd, 9s, 2. Time, 1m 16s. Final: Christiansen, 1; Boyd, 2; Goldstone, 3. Time, 1m 6 4-5s. Won by about a yard, the same distance separating second and third.

Interclub, 66yds.—First heat: A. J. Norman (Drummoyne), 11s, 1; T. Sinclair (Balmain), 6s, 2. Time, 44 2-5s. Second heat: J. Devine (Randwick and Coogee), 6s, 1; F. Christiansen (Drummoyne), 3s, 2. Time, 43s. Third heat: W. Watson (Redfern), 4s, 1; H. Shaw (Pyrmont), 10s, 2. Time, 42 3-5s. Fourth heat: S. Dufty (Balmain), 5s, 1; J. Davidson (Pyrmont), 5s, 2. Time, 45 1-5s. Fifth heat: W. Salton (Drummoyne), 16s, 1; C. Marsh (Balmain), 6s, 2. Time, 53 4-5s. Sixth heat: D. Brown (Randwick and Coogee), 6s, 1; B. Blake (Pyrmont), 6s, 2. Time, 43 2-5s. Seventh heat: A. Young (Balmain), 5s, 1; S. Allardice (Drummoyne), 9s, 2. Time, 44s. Final: Brown, 1; Devine, 2; Dufty, 3. Time, 43 2-5s.

Junior Members' Handicap, 33 yards.—A. Malcolm, 3sec, 1; A. J. Norman, 1sec, 2.

500 Yards Flying Squadron Championship of Western Suburbs A. S. Association.—Balmain: R. Craig, A. Brett, R. Byers, N. Ratjens, S. Mulligan, 1; Leichhardt: C. Ratjens, P. Punch, H. Wood, O. Petersen, P. Johnson, 2; Western District: J. Forsythe, C. Hawkless, J. Porteous, J. M'Manus, F. Smith, 3; Drummoyne: H. Bebb, S. Allardice, L. Beck, S. Wright, F. Christiansen, 4. Balmain won by nearly a lap. Time, 5min 35 3-5sec.

A display of diving by the Magpies was greatly appreciated, and a farce created much merriment.

SYDNEY AND NORTH SYDNEY CLUBS' CARNIVAL.

The N.S.W. Amateur Swimming Association has appointed the following officials to control the 220 yards State championship and other events at the Sydney and North Sydney Clubs' carnival at Lavender Bay on 22nd inst.:—Referee, G. H. Stainley; starter, Mr. A. W. Griffiths; check starter, Mr. G. H. Alderton; costume steward, Mr. C. D. Jones; timekeepers, Messrs. W. T. Kerr, L. I. Flegeltaub, J. C. Roberts, and J. Carney; judges, Messrs. R. Keers, J. W. Turner, E. S. Marks, E. J. O'Dowd, C. E. Morgan, and J. Chambers; standard judge, Mr. G. H. Alderton; clerk of the course, Mr. W. W. Hill.

PYRMONT CLUB.

The above club will hold a 55 yards handicap tonight at the local baths. The following are the starts:—J. Conlon, J. Watkinson, scr; O. Dickman, W. M'Alister, 1s; R. Buckle, 2s; G. R. Holcombe, T. Woods, J. Cullen, C. Bell, B. Wright, 3s; W. Carroll, J. Davidson, D. Peel, J. Murray, J. M'Quirk, 4s; S. Blake, 5s; S. Garrett, W. Hutchison, J. C. Murray, J. Beeks, W. Cowan, W. Borstell, J. Blake, 6s; E. Parry, 8s; H. Shaw, 9s; J. Andreoli, F. Gullickson, 10s; R. Kermode, A. King, 11s; R. M'Arthur, 12s; F. Sinclair, 14s; L. Cranney, 17s.

SYDNEY CLUB.

The Sydney Club will hold the heats of a 100 yards handicap at Lavender Bay Baths to-night, at 8 o'clock. The heat-winners will qualify to start in the final, to be contested at the club's carnival at the same baths on the 22nd inst.

RANDWICK AND COOGEE CLUB.

The above club decided the heats of the 66 yards Golden Gulls Handicap last Monday evening. The final will be swum at the club's annual carnival on Saturday next. The entrants for the 100 yards championship of the Eastern districts are:—W. Hobson (Randwick and Coogee), A. N. Linsley (Waverley), C. Cadden (Bondi), R. Garland (East Sydney), and H. Weilandt (Rose Bay). Last year's winner of this event was Theo. Tartakover, who is now in London. There are 49 teams entered for the inter-club teams relay race.

REDFERN CLUB.

The Redfern Club held a 66yds handicap at the Coogee baths on Monday. Results:—First heat: R. Grainger, 5s, 1; D. Cohen, 9s, 2; W. Watson, 1s, 3. Time, 45s. Won by half a yard. Second heat: J. Kearney, 5s, 1; G. Lockwood, 9s, 2; H. Cooper, 5s, 3. Time, 45s. Won by a yard. Third heat: E. Nathan, 9s, 1; A. Wileman, 2s, 2; F. Smith, 15s, 3. Time, 49s. Won by half a yard. Fourth heat: J. Mostyn, 9s, 1; A. Lockwood, 11s, 2; L. Darmody, 15s, 3. Time, 50s. Won by a foot. Fifth heat: S. Smith, 4s, 1; H. Oliffe, 11s, 2; J. Lockwood, 12s, 3. Time, 45s. Won by a touch. Sixth heat: R. Fitzpatrick, 17s, 1; C. Mullinger, 15s, 2; W. Whitchurch, 11s, 3. Time, 50s. Won by a yard. Final: R. Fitzpatrick, 1; S. Smith, 2; E. Nathan, 3. Won by a yard.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

HORNSBY DISTRICT RIFLE CLUB.

The annual general meeting of the above club was held in the School of Arts, Hornsby, on Tuesday. The report showed that the members' roll was about 65, the same as at the beginning of the year. A gold medal was presented by the club to Mr. T. M'Cloy for the best five winter and five summer shoots for the year. Mr. M'Cloy scored 532 out of a possible 600 points, and was followed closely by Mr. J. Gibson, with 531. The following were the prize-winners for the December quarter:—1. J. Oliver, 132 out of 140. 2. S. E. Radford, 129. 3. Rhodes, 126; C. Rogers, 124; A. Rogers, 124; J. Forrest, 120; T. M'Cloy, 119; J. Gibson, 119; E. Stentiford, 115; P. Provest, 115; G. Sutton, 114; C. Bohlsen, 111; W. Kershaw, 111; P. C. Law, 107; A. J. Stokes, 107; F. Garrard, 106; G. Kershaw, 104; J. Redding, 102.

ALL PRIZES, NO BLANKS.

AT A RIFLE MEETING.

At a meeting of the council of the Metropolitan District Rifle Association on Tuesday it was stated that the response to the liberal programme for the club's forthcoming meeting was not altogether satisfactory. Riflemen did not understand what these district meetings were. The prospects of competitors were better than at the N.R.A. meeting. Actually in the "B" grade there were at present 67 entries for 80 prizes.

As a result of poorness of entries there was a deficit of £43 5s 6d in the funds. Several members expressed their willingness to advance this amount rather than that the meeting should suffer. It was resolved that the programme should stand as advertised.

ACCOMMODATION ON RANDWICK RANGE.

A meeting of the captains of the rifle clubs in the metropolitan district was held on Tuesday at the N.R.A. rooms to consider the following matter:—Some time since an application was made by the Western Suburbs Rifle Club to the military authorities for the erection on the range of a "hut" to accommodate the club. There are about 26 clubs—eight of them military—in the district, and the authorities, anticipating similar applications from every club if this were acceded to, suggested that the captains of all clubs in the district should confer with a view to applying for a single building for the accommodation of all.

Mr. Holt, captain of the Western Suburbs Rifle Club, advocated the erection of a row of separate huts.

Mr. Sherbon, of the Rifle Club staff, said that the authorities could do nothing for the erection of separate huts. If the meeting recommended a single pavilion it would be placed upon the Estimates. The authorities only wanted to know the sort of building wanted. Of course, this was subject to the approval of the District Commandant, the Military Board, and the Minister.

In view of this Mr. Holt moved that the military authorities be approached to erect a building to accommodate all the rifle clubs in the metropolitan district. The building should stand between the magazine and the school of musketry. At present his club had to keep its spare ammunition in half a locker.

Mr. J. R. Wallace stated that riflemen would put the provision of uniforms before that of a pavilion.

After discussion the motion was carried unanimously.

BROKEN HILL, Tuesday.

The West Rifle Club's last shooting at 400yds and 500yds resulted:—Hares, 84; Correll, 81; Sweeney, 54; Durall, 52; Dewar, 51. Correll made a possible at 400yds.

BALMAIN FINANCES.

SATISFACTORY STATEMENT.

A statement has been prepared by Mr. J. Goodsir, council clerk, showing the financial condition of the borough of Balmain, as follows:—

The following figures apply, not to the financial year of 1907-8, but only to that portion of it, between the dates of February 4, 1907, and December 31, 1907, or five weeks short of the full term.

1. The year opened with a bank overdraft of £579 8s 1d, which rose rapidly, and on April 3 was considerably over £2000.

2. The new rates were issued on April 1, and every endeavour was made to make the council's position much easier, and owing to a ready response by the ratepayers, the overdraft was paid off, and a credit balance established of £1383 10s 1d, by the close of the half-year, August 6, 1907. From that period to the present a steady increase in the council's bank (credit) balance has taken place, and after paying all current liabilities was considerably over £1900 at December 31.

3. This condition has not been brought about by starving any services. The real cause of the council's position lies in the fact that the arrears of rates have been most substantially reduced.

4. The new rates were issued on April 1, 1907, and the arrears brought forward on to them were £3776 14s 6d. The amount paid off these arrears to December 31, 1907, was £2747 5s 8d, leaving a balance of old arrears of £1029 8s 10d. Of course there is some little time left to reduce this amount before February 4, 1908, and there is every indication that at the close of the financial year outstanding rates will be comparatively at a minimum.

5. The amount of municipal and lighting rates levied for the year was £14,252 15s 4d, and the amount collected to December 31, £15,765 9s.

6. The gross revenue from all sources from February 4 to December 31, 1907, aggregates £18,121 10s 2d, considerably more than for some years past. Whilst this statement of affairs must be regarded as eminently satisfactory, better results could have been achieved had not the entirely new order of things, brought about by the introduction of the Local Government Act of 1906, caused a great deal of study at the expense of the ordinary routine. Not only has the extra work been considerable, but the extra expense is an item of much concern.

7. During the period under review no less than £2850 has been expended on road maintenance and general services. In the past three years the council's financial liability has been reduced from £69,482 6s 8d to £67,806 10s 8d.

THE GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—When Mr. Carruthers introduced his bill for the repeal of the old Savings Banks Acts and for the formation of the present institution under the control of three commissioners, he met with such a storm of opposition, both inside and outside the Legislature, that the original measure was considerably altered, and eventually it was passed in a form which was believed to retain the best features of the old institution, as regards the Savings Bank Department.

A regulation has recently been made by the Commissioners by which a charge of 1s per year is made to each depositor for keeping his account. It is questionable whether such a charge is legal, when one considers the intention of the Act. Section 39 (2) briefly states that interest shall be calculated on every complete sum of £1 deposited, and section 44 gives the Crown's guarantee for all deposits, and there is no provision made for deductions from the account for a charge of this nature. Apart, however, from its legality, this charge is against the principle upon which the bank was originally established, viz., to induce thrift amongst small depositors. The bank only allows interest on every complete sum of £1. The amounts under that sum and the odd shillings and pence in larger accounts must in the aggregate amount to a considerable sum, which the bank has the use of without paying anything for, and surely this is sufficient payment. But the great injustice is in the case of infants and poor depositors who pay in a shilling or two each month. The new regulation means that not alone will these accounts bear no interest, but that they will gradually get less. Take the case of a depositor paying a shilling a month starting from January. At the end of the first year he will have paid 12s, but will only be credited with 11s. At the end of the second year he will have paid in 24s. He will receive about 2d interest, and his account will stand in credit for 22s 2d. The bank will then have had the use of the money for the whole of this time, and in addition charged him with nearly 2s, or nearly 5 per cent., interest, for minding his money. If the depositor now ceases adding to his account, in a little over two years it will fall below a pound, and by the shilling charge will gradually get less and less until it eventually disappears. Thus this great institution, whose primary object is to encourage thrift amongst small depositors, becomes one to absorb their savings. Surely this is not what Parliament intended in passing the Act.

If the charge of 1s were made on all accounts of £70 and upwards there would not be so great an objection; but to penalise small depositors, is contrary to the spirit of the Act, and a great injustice to them.

I am, etc.,

Jan. 15. DEPOSITOR.

KOGARAH-SANS SOUCI TRAM.

Suggestions as to the route of the proposed extension of the Kogarah-Sans Souci tramline were brought under the notice of the Railway Commissioners yesterday by a deputation representing the Kogarah Municipal Council and the St. George Cottage Hospital. The deputation was introduced by Mr. Nobbs, M.L.A., on behalf of Mr. Carruthers, member for the district. The deputation objected to the tramline passing through a portion of the hospital grounds, as proposed, or along Montgomery-street. As an alternative to the Montgomery-street route it was proposed that the line be carried along Rocky Point-road, and along Gladstone-road and Regent-street.

The Chief Commissioner, in reply, stated that what the Commissioners proposed to do had for its object the improvement of the Sans Souci tram service and the district, but if the people of Kogarah would prefer that they should not carry out this work, he did not think the Commissioners were desirous of spending the money. He did not think the proposal would prejudice the hospital in the way suggested. He did not favour the route by way of Gladstone-road, and suggested to the council that it should fall in with the Commissioners' proposal.

A suggestion was then made as an alternative to the council's proposal that the tramline could be deviated from Montgomery-street so as to run into Rocky Point-road without interfering with the hospital grounds.

The Chief Commissioner said if a strong point were made of that he did not think there would be any objection to that suggestion, although it did not seem quite so convenient as the route intended.

After discussion, it was arranged that the Mayor should bring the matter before the council at its next meeting, and inform the Commissioners of the result.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

A TRIP TO THE SOUTH POLE may be very interesting and teach one a lot, but a trip to Eastway's Great Wire Store in George-st will delight the lady who wishes to make and alter her own dresses. Complete wire dress stands, 1s 6d each. We have a very large stock of Parrot Cages on hand; the prices range from 1s each. Wire Garden Arches, large size 15s each. Send for lists.
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NATIONAL ART GALLERY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, SYDNEY.

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NOTICE TO ARTISTS.

The Trustees of the National Art Gallery of New South Wales will consider the purchase of Two or more Works each year (for two years), by Artists resident in the Australian States and New Zealand—to the following values, viz.:—
Not exceeding £100 each for Oil Paintings or pieces of Sculpture.
Not exceeding £75 each for Water Colours.
Note.—This action will in no way interfere with the Trustees' present practice of inspecting the Annual Exhibitions of the Local Art Societies with the view of possible purchases.

SUBJECTS, ETC.—Paintings of Scenery, or subjects in the MORE REMOTE DISTRICTS OF THE VARIOUS STATES AND COLONIES ARE SPECIALLY DESIRED. (Figure Subject and Sculpture excepted.)

ELIGIBLE WORK.—No work will be considered eligible, if it has been previously on public exhibition.

SUBJECTS.—The following Subjects for each year will be as follows, viz.:—1st Year: (1) WATER COLOUR; (1) OIL PAINTING. Subjects: Coastal, River, Landscape, or Marine. 2nd Year: (1) WATER COLOUR; (1) OIL PAINTING OR SCULPTURE. Subjects: Figure and Landscape (combined); Figure—Subject (Painting or Sculpture); Cattle and Landscape Subject (combined); or Pastoral and Agricultural.

SIZE OF WORKS.—No Water Colour Drawing will be admissible which is less than 30in x 22in, or Oil Painting which is less than 50in x 30in, or of a corresponding superficial area, in any other shape.

MOUNTS.—Water Colour Drawings should be suitably mounted with bronze or gilt mounts, not exceeding 8in wide. Frames will not be admissible. Oil Paintings will be admitted with or without frames.

PAINTINGS.—All Paintings must be the bona-fide work and property of the Artist submitting same, and painted expressly for the Trustees.

DELIVERY OF WORKS.—Works should be delivered at this Gallery, FREE OF EXPENSE, not later than June 15th, 1908.

RESPONSIBILITY.—Every care will be taken of the works submitted, but the Trustees will not hold themselves responsible for any damage or loss. Works not accepted will be carefully repacked, and delivered upon presentation of the Artist's order, at the Art Gallery.

SELECTION OF WORKS.—The Trustees will consider the works on their merits, but it must be distinctly understood that they do not bind themselves to accept any one of the works submitted.

THE WYNNE ART PRIZE.—Any works which comply with the following Terms of the Annual Wynne Art Prize will be noted in connection with the award for that Prize:—

This Prize, which is offered for competition each year, was bequeathed by the late Richard Wynne, to be awarded to the Australian Artist producing the best landscape painting of Australian Scenery in oils or water colours, or the best example of Figure Sculpture, executed by an Australian Sculptor. (Value of Prize, between £30 and £40.)

G. V. F. MANN, Secretary and Superintendent.
E. DU FAUR, President. (3c-2)

NOTICE is hereby given that with the view of closing the operations of SPRINGFIELD PASTORAL and ESTATES COMPANY, Limited, in the State of New South Wales, all persons having any debts or claims against the Company are hereby requested to send in particulars thereof in duplicate to the undersigned, care of E. Webb and Co., George-street, Bathurst, on or before the twenty-ninth day of February next.
W. H. WEBB.
Bathurst, January 13, 1908.

NOTICE OF PARTNERSHIP.
We, the undersigned, have this 13th day of January, 1908, entered into PARTNERSHIP as General Storekeepers, Annandale. Our business will be carried on under the style of "Reeve and Son."
ARTHUR GEORGE REEVE.
CHASE REEVE.
January 13th, 1908.

IF my wife, ELIZABETH GRAY, does not return to me within one month from date I intend to take the necessary legal steps to remarry.
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CAUTION.—Any person or persons removing anything whatsoever from the ANNOSONA, lying on MIDDLETON REEF, will be PROSECUTED. Captain CHRISTENSEN, Owner.

I HEREBY APOLOGISE to Mrs. MIRMANE and FAMILY for words used by me to her, their being no foundation. Mrs. ABRAHAMS, Taggart-street.

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MEMORANDUM FOR REGISTRATION OF NO LIABILITY COMPANY.

1. The name of the Company is to be "Amalgamated Green Swamp Copper Mines, No Liability."
2. The first place of intended operations is at Green Swamp, near Bathurst.
3. The first registered office of the Company will be situated at Sydney.
4. The value of the Company's intended property, including the plant and machinery, is Four Thousand Three Hundred Pounds.
5. The amount of money to the credit of the Company or any person on its behalf is six hundred pounds, and the total liability which the Company is intended to assume or undertake is three hundred pounds.
6. The nominal capital of the Company is ten thousand pounds, divided into ten thousand shares of one pound each, of which it is intended to issue four thousand pounds as fully paid up shares and six thousand pounds as contributing shares.
7. The number of contributing shares subscribed for is two thousand five hundred.
8. The name of the first Manager is HENRY GEORGE HYDE.
9. Ten per centum of the contributing capital has been duly paid up in cash.
10. The only contracts entered into on behalf of this Company are those of which particulars are stated hereunder:—

NO CONTRACTS.

Dated this tenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

We, the persons whose names and addresses are subscribed, hereby apply to register Amalgamated Green Swamp Copper Mines, No Liability, as a no-liability company:—

Witness.	Signatures.	Addresses.
H. V. Gibbons,	G. O. Hyde	Company Manager, Martin-place, Sydney
H. V. Gibbons, Australasia-chambers, Martin-place, Sydney.	H. A. Scott	Draper, Louisa road, Balmain,
H. V. Gibbons,	C. R. Young	Randwick
H. V. Gibbons,	G. E. Wise	Roslyn House, Liverpool-rd, Croydon.
H. V. Gibbons,	Percy C. White	435 Kent-street, Sydney.
W. A. H. Allworth, Articled Law Clerk, Australasia-chambers, Martin-place, Sydney.	W. W. Campbell	249 Clarence-street.
H. V. Gibbons	H. G. Hyde	Australasia-chambers, Martin-place, Sydney
H. V. Gibbons	Chas. G. Scott	Wellington, N.S.W.

I, HENRY GEORGE HYDE, of Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, do hereby solemnly declare and affirm as follows:—1. I am the Manager of the said intended Company; 2. The above statements are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true in every particular; and I make this solemn declaration as to the matters aforesaid according to the law in that behalf made and subject to the punishment by law provided for any wilfully false statement in any such declaration.

Declared before me this tenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eight. (Sg.) LEONARD GABRIEL, J.P. (Sg.) H. G. HYDE.

MEETINGS.

LIBERAL AND REFORM ASSOCIATION.
The Annual MEETING of the Association will be held THIS AFTERNOON, at the Rooms, Yaralla-chambers, 109 Pitt-street, at 4 o'clock.
The President, Hon. J. H. CARRUTHERS, will preside.
BENJAMIN JAMES, Hon. Sec.

BOOT TRADE.—MASS MEETING of the BOOT TRADE UNION OF N.S.W., OPERATORS, and B.S.C. UNION and CLICKERS' ASSOCIATION, Wesley Hall, Regent-street, THURSDAY, Jan. 16, 1908, 8 p.m. Business: To consider the question of Amalgamation of the Unions.
DAVID JOHNSTONE, Sec. B.T.U.; E. W. HOWITT, Sec. O. and B.S.C.U.; W. D. CLARK, Sec. Clickers' A.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Mosman Progress Association will be held THIS (Thursday) EVENING, 16th inst., 8 o'clock, to which all intending candidates for the approaching Municipal Elections are invited.
J. J. BAILEY, Hon. Secretary.

WOMEN'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE Meet TRADES HALL TO-NIGHT. Business Important.
M. HALL, Acting Secretary.

DAUGHTERS OF GORDON, 345, meets To-night, St. David's Hall, Arthur-st, 8 o'c. Visitors invited.

CITY MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-ninth Annual MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Hunter and Bligh streets, Sydney, on MONDAY, the 16th of March, 1908, at 3 p.m., to receive the Annual Report and Balance-sheet for the year 1907; to elect two Directors in the place of Dr. J. A. Beattie and George Crowley, Esq., who retire, but are eligible for re-election; to elect one Auditor (G. T. Clarke, Esq., retires, but is also eligible to be re-elected); and to transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting in accordance with the Society's Articles of Association.
N. H. D. HOPSON, Secretary.

BURDETT, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of Section 141 of the Companies Act, 1899 that a General MEETING of the Members of the abovenamed Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, No 182 Chalmers-street, in the City of Sydney, on MONDAY, the 24th day of February, 1908, at four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted, and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the Company and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of. Dated the fifteenth day of January, 1908.
R. M. PHILLIPS, Liquidator.
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THE NORTH COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the Company's Head Office, 2 Sussex-street North, on WEDNESDAY, 22nd day of JANUARY, 1908, at 11.30 a.m., to receive the Report and Balance-sheet for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1907; to Elect Two Directors in the room of G. C. ELLIOTT, Esq., and WALTER C. WATT, Esq., who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election; to Elect Two Auditors in the room of D. FELL, Esq., C.A.A., and C. T. METCALFE, Esq., both of whom are eligible for re-election; and to transact any other business that may be brought before the Meeting.
By order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT A. BELL, General Manager.
G. C. ELLIOTT, Esq., and WALTER C. WATT, Esq., have given the requisite notice that they are Candidates for re-election as Directors.
The SHARE REGISTER will be CLOSED from 8th to 22nd JANUARY inclusive.

THE SYDNEY CYCLORAMA COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Twentieth Annual General MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held on FRIDAY, January 31st, 1908, at 2.15 p.m., at the Company's Office, Union-chambers, 70 Pitt-street, Sydney.
Business:
1. To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the year ended December 31st, 1907.
2. To elect one Director in lieu of Mr. J. M. Purves, and an Auditor in lieu of Mr. William Rigg, who retire, are eligible for re-election, and have given the requisite notice.
3. To transact such other Business as may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board.
G. S. BUZACOTT, Secretary.
CANDIDATES for the office of Director must give not less than seven days' notice in writing of their intended candidature.
Sydney, January 15th, 1908.

THE ASSETS REALISATION AND GENERAL FINANCE COMPANY, Limited.
The Annual General MEETING of Shareholders of this Company will be held at noon on FRIDAY, the 31st day of January, 1908, at No. 70 Pitt-street, to receive the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1907; to elect two Directors in place of Messrs. T. R. Allt and Robert Smith, and two Auditors in lieu of Messrs. James Johnson and T. F. H. Mackenzie, F.S.I.A., all of whom retire in conformity with the Articles of Association, but are eligible for re-election; and to transact any other Business that may be brought before the Meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board.
J. ROBERTS, Secretary.

CANTERBURY PARK RACECOURSE COMPANY, LIMITED.
Notice is hereby given that the THIRTY-SIXTH HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, 30 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, the twenty-fourth day of January, 1908, at 2.30 p.m.,
To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for Half-year ended 31st December, 1907, and to transact any other business which may be brought before the meeting.
W. L. DAVIS, Secretary.
January 16, 1908.

NEW SOUTH WALES PROTESTANT HALL CO., Ltd.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-second Annual MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-street, on MONDAY, FEB. 3rd, 1908, to receive the Annual Report and Balance-sheet to Dec. 31st, 1907; to elect four Directors in the place of John Wheeler, Esq., J.P., James Munro, Esq., A. J. S. Gilchrist, Esq., J.P., and John James, Esq., who retire, but are eligible for re-election; to elect two auditors in the place of Messrs. W. R. Goodwin and S. E. Crouch, who also retire, but are eligible for re-election; and to transact any other business which may be brought forward in conformity with the Articles of Association.
SIDNEY RIDGWAY, Secretary.

N.S.W. MONT DE PIETE D. AND I. COMPANY, Limited.
74 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.
GENERAL MEETING.
A General MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held on FRIDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1908, upon the Company's premises, as above, at 12 noon.
By order of the Board of Directors.
EUSTACE BENNETT, General Manager.
BUSINESS.
To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet, and to transact any other Business that may be brought before the meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association.
Dated 16th January, 1908.

N.S.W. MONT DE PIETE D. AND I. COMPANY, Limited.
74 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st inst. inclusive.
By order.
EUSTACE BENNETT, General Manager.
Dated 16th January, 1908.

GRANUMA, GRANUMA, GRANUMA.
A special preparation of the WHOLE GRAIN of wheat. The finest porridge food in the world. GRANUMA is "Nature's antidyspeptic." All grocers.

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A LARGE Front Room, downstairs, to Let, suit dressmaker. Laurenceville, 54 Waverley-rd, Woollahra.
A LARGE furn. Front Room, downstairs, all convs., 8s; also nice Single Room. 16 Riley-st, nr. Dom.
A NICE furnished, also unfurn. Room to Let, use kit., 10 mins. G.P.O. 61 Glebe-rd.
A REAL HOME, near tram. Avondale, 166 Bridge-rd, Glebe. 2 Ladies like few Boarders, 1. grnds.
A SINGLE ROOM, 5s; also Double Room, 7s; every conv. 180 Forbes-st, 2 doors below William-st.
A SINGLE ROOM, suit business lady or gent., breakfast optional. Leumeah, Wallis-st, Woollahra.
AT WYADRA, 115 Phillip-st.—Superior ACCOMMODATION, hot baths.
AT 65 Paddington-st, Paddington.—Comfortable Home for young gentleman, close to tram.
AT HUNTER-ST AGENCY, 76 Hunter-st.—Flats, furn. and unfur. Rooms, Board and Residence, recom.
AT BELMONT, 20 Carrington-st, Wynyard-sq.—B. and R., Visitors. Billiards. Tel., 2751.
AT 58 Bayswater-rd, D'hurst, magnificent balcony FLAT, unfurn., use kitchen, every convenience.
AT 240 Forbes-st, Darlinghurst Heights, large D. Rm., m.c.; single R.; R. 2 friends, b'fast if req.
AT 107 William-st.—A Front Balcony Room and Single Room vacant, board optional.
AT Tenelba, 70 Alberto-terrace, Darlinghurst-rd.—Balcony FLAT vacant. Tel., 104 William-st.
AT LIGHTHOLME, 115 Victoria-st, Potts Point.—Bal. Rooms, harb. views, good table, board opt.
ALPINE HOUSE, 204-6-8 Victoria-st, Darlinghurst, newly built, and constructed for convenience of boarders, 60 bedrooms, front, double, single, balcony, and smoke, draw.-r. Madame Desjardins. T. 72 Wm. st.
APPLY to Mrs. WALTER LONG, 12 Milson's Pt., for Furn., Unf. Houses, Flats, Rooms, etc, Board or partial Bd. in first-class establishments and private families as paying guests, all parts N. Sydney.
ARLINGTON and Arcadia, 207-207½ Victoria-st, Darlinghurst, superior Board and Res., excellent cuisine, hot and cold baths, smoke room, dbl. and single rooms vac. Tel., 542 Wm.-st.
BALCONY ROOM, suit business couple or 2 friends, 8s. 6 Castlereagh-st, Redfern, nr. Cleveland-st.
BOARD and Residence, terms moderate. Hillcrest, 350 Crown-st.
BOARD recommended. Furnished and unfurnished Flats, Rooms, Houses. Businesses and Residential Chambers for Sale. Boarding-house to Let, £10. SEYMOUR'S AGENCY, 156 King-street. T., 4297.
CITY, 11 Bligh-st.—Flat or Single and Double Rooms, thoroughly renovated. Under new management.
COUNTRY VISITORS will find a comfortable HOME at Alexander House, Castlereagh and Hunter sts. Tariff from 5s per day. Rooms from 5s. Board from 15s 6d. Large promenade balcony. Miss TAYLOR.
DARLINGHURST.—Double and single newly-furn. Rooms, kit., gas. Hazeldeane, 156 Victoria-st N.
D'HURST.—Board and Res., 16s to £5 5s; furn., unfurn. Rooms. Sinclair's Res. Agcy., top Wm. st.
DARLINGHURST.—ELTON, 2 Woolcott-st, bal., other Rooms, very mod., board opt., 1d sec. door.
DOUBLE ROOM, comf. furnished, clean, suit m.c., use kitchen, 7s 6d. 186 Liverpool-st, Hyde Park.
DO YOU REQUIRE BOARD, Rooms, Flats, Houses, Summer Resorts. MISS MACLACHLAN'S AGENCY (est. 1896), Equitable, 350 George-st, near G.P.O. Tel., 3926.
FURNISHED ROOM, over shop, 5s, bath. 434 Elizabeth-st, off Devonshire-st.
HANDSOMELY furn. Bed-sitting Room vacant. Miss Small, 82 Hunter-st, city.
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LARGE unfurn. balcony Room, bath, etc., fine views, handy tram, ferries. Bramber, 7 Whaling-rd, N.S.
LARGE Bal. Room, well fur., board opt., priv. fam., mod. 6 Botany-st, close Bondi Junction.
LARGE Furnished ROOM to LET, suit 2 friends or 2 gentlemen. 219 Cleveland-st.
MANLY.—Collingwood, Victoria-parade, Mrs. Parnell will have vacancies for 21st; near beach, breakers.
MANLY, Athelstane, Clifford-avenue. Fairlight Estate, 25s. Butler, Dulwich Hill. 236 Pet.
MANLY.—Wanted. Furn. Bedroom, D. and S. bed, 2 wks., nr. beach. Terms, R. Wilby, Arton-st, Clyde.
MOSMAN, Huisten, water frontage, 2 min Musgrave-st whf. S. and D. Rooms, teleph. Mrs. Butcher.
NEUTRAL.—Double and Single ROOMS vacant. Cossington, 63 Wycombe-rd. Grounds. Tel., 763 N.S.
NEWLY furn. Balc. Room to Let; also S. Room, use kit. and gas. 137 Victoria-st, Darlinghurst.
ONE or two Rooms, fur., unfur., ground floor, low rent, conv. tram. 36 Jersey-rd, Paddington.
RESIDENTIAL Rooms for Gentn., newly fur., lg and small rm. vac. 68 Hunter-st, nr. Macquarie-st.
RANELAGH, Darling Point-road.—Fine Summer Residence. Families and gentlemen can have Suites or single Rooms, priv. meals if req., beautiful veran., Bed-Sitting Room, extensive grds., tram to gates.
SINGLE Furn. ROOM, bath, gas, key, 3 mins. to 1d tram, 6s. 354 Victoria-st, Darlinghurst.
STANMORE.—Large unfurnished ROOM, private fam., suit dressmaker or prof. Egerton, 79 Cavendish-st.
UNFURN. Bal. Room, new house, nr. Oxford-st, pri. fam., reas. 76 Boundary-st, Darlinghurst.
WELL FURN. BAL. ROOM vacant, board opt. 182 Victoria-st N., Darlinghurst.
A MAN requires a plain empty Balcony ROOM. J. P. F., Haymarket P.O.
ELDERLY gentleman wants comfortable BOARD and Residence, eastern suburbs, 20s. 922, Herald.
GENT. requires Board and Residence, private family, Single Room, no other bdrs. O.A., Herald Office.
MANLY.—Wanted for week or 9 days, Bedroom, facing ocean. E.D., Whare-iti, Cabramatta-rd, Mosm.
MARRIED Woman wants Board and D. Room, Darlinghurst, strictly mod. M.W.B., Herald Branch.
SMALL Furnished Room wanted, Darlinghurst, near Oxford-st. Parts., James, Waverley P.O.
SMALL furnished Cottage, Coogee, or Manly, one month. Terms, etc., M., Herald.
TWO young gentn. require B. and R., good home, terms moderate. E. W. B., G.P.O., city.
WANTED, well-furn. B'ROOM, with or without breakfast, near city. State terms, 933, Herald.
WANTED, furn. Sitting-room, and dble. Bedrm., use convs. Reply A.W.O., Herald, King-st.
WANTED, Furnished ROOM, with use of kitchen, etc., by respectable married couple. 939, Herald.
WIDOW wants unfurn. B'room, nr. Moore Pk., with refined people. State rent, Mrs. R., Crown-st P.O.
WANTED, large Front Bedroom, with verandah; state terms, with breakfast. 945, Herald.
WANTED, 2 clean furn. or unfurn. Rooms, with or without board, gas, conveniences, new house preferred, Ryde or thereabout, ref. Ryde, Herald King-street.
WANTED, Board, 2 adults, refined home, near Terraces, Brown-st, Paddington. Wanted, Western Suburbs, Board 2 adults, 2 children; children minded during day. Miss MACLACHLAN, Equitable, 350 Geo.-st.
WANTED, Double Furn. ROOM for lady, 2 boys, for 1 week, at Brighton-le-Sands. Address Mrs. R., 21 Aubrey-street, Stanmore.
YOUNG Lady wants Board with resp. people, 10s wkly. May, Knight's N'agcy., 328 L'pool-st, Dst.
YOUNG Lady would do sewing for two weeks in return change to ctry. Dressmaker, P.O., Rozelle.

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GROSVENOR HOTEL, Church-hill.—The coolest, most comfortable hotel in Sydney; every modern convenience; excellent cuisine. Tariff from 8s to 10s a day; or Rooms separately, from 3s a day. C. W. M. CHATEAU, Proprietor. Tel., 860.
PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL, opp. Centennial Park, Woollahra.—Best in Sydney; cuisine Francaise; late chef Royal Oak Hotel, Wellington, N.Z.; Warner's Htl., C'church; Oxford, Syd.; Gresham, Brisb., propr.
THE GRAND HOTEL, MELBOURNE, beautifully situated, healthiest part of the city, opp. Parliament House, Govt. Offices, Fitzroy and Treasury Gardens. Ladies and families met steamer, train, if advised.
YOWIE BAY HOTEL, PORT HACKING. After 23rd January, under NEW MANAGEMENT. Fishing, boating, bathing, cuisine par excellence. Suites of Rooms, newly furnished. New tariff. J. B. KING, LICENSEE.
Coaches meet all trains.

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A HUB IN SYDNEY. The South Pole may be the Hub of the Universe, but Eastway's is the Hub of the Tackle Business. Our central position places us right in the Hub of Sydney. It is a treat to see the crowds in our store and the crowds looking in our windows. You miss a great treat if you by chance miss our store. There is no other show of Tackle like it in the world.
EASTWAY'S GREAT FISHING TACKLE STORE, George-st, 7 doors below the General Post Office.
AT Wentworth Falls.—Cottage, 4 rms., fully furn., 5 min. station. 17 Smith-st, Summer Hill.
BLACKHEATH.—Furn. Rooms to Let, under the personal manag. Mrs. Hodgson, Abbotsford, B'heath.
KATOOMBA.—St. Clair, Leichhardt-st. Board and Res., own cow, piano, £1 wk., 4s day. Mrs. Evens.
KATOOMBA.—Viewcourt, near sights, home comforts, own poultry, cow, terms 20s. Met. appts.
KATOOMBA.—2 Furn. ROOMS vacant, 18th inst. Mrs. G. West, Navau, Cascade-st.
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NICE Furnished COTTAGE, grounds, pony, sulky, piano, bath, S. line, 25s. Health, P.O., Woollahra.
SPRINGWOOD.—Lorna Doone, comf. Home for Visitors, free driving, 25s. Mrs. Roberts.
SPRINGWOOD.—COTTAGE, 4 rooms, bath, every convenience, terms mod. Alpha, William-st P.O.
STOKES' FAMILY HOTEL, BULLI. Close to Bulli Pass, Lodden Falls, and Hard Sandy beaches of Blue Pacific, Beautiful Drives, ocean baths, Wedding Parties a Specialty. Visitors to Hotel will find every comfort. Vehicles attend trains. Terms moderate. H. W. STOKES, Proprietor.
TO LET, Furnished ROOMS. Tara, Blackheath, close to station.
WOLLONGONG.—Kianga Cottage, Let furn., 3 b'rs., sit.-rm., nr. beach, golf links, mod. Mrs. Vining.
WOY WOY.—Furn. Cottage Free to each purchaser of an Allotment on Bay View Estate, Woy Woy.
WOY WOY.—Each purchaser of an Allotment on the Bay View Estate is entitled to a Furn. Cott. Free.
WANTED, Furn. COTT., Blue Mts., 4 bedrms., fr. Jan. 31. Particulars, M'William, Lavinia, Burwood.
WANTED at Katoomba, small furn. Cottage, about Jan. 28th, term. Foster, Lillipilli Pt., Port Hack.
YOUNG Girl wants Furn. Room at Orange, private family. State terms, Miss Hall, P.O., N. Sydney.
RY-CELA, RY-CELA, RY-CELA, builds up Brain, Bone, and Muscle; it makes delicious porridge, and is not heating like oatmeal. Easily cooked and easily digested. All grocers and storekeepers.
ANNIVERSARY DAY, January 27, at 2.30.—Rickard's Picnic Auct., Beach Est., Brighton-le-Sands.

HOUSES, LAND, ETC., WANTED.

A.—A.—Your Property offered at Auction; fee, £1, covers cost of advertising, notice boards, inspection, no other charge unless successful. Land subdivided. Ernest C. V. Broughton, the Stock Exchange.
CREMORNE.—We have genuine buyer Cottage, about £900. McMurdo Bros., 187 Alfred-st, N. Syd.
DOUBLE-FRONTED Cottage, brick, good locality, and ground, required, near Waverley P.O., or Randwick, handy to tram, £500. Cash, Herald Office.
HOUSE or Cottage wanted, 8 or 9 rooms, between Roseville-Turramurra. Box 20, Newtown P.O.
IMMEDIATE Buyer, must fix up within one week.—COTTAGE, with 1 acre land, Willoughby, Chatswood, or North Shore Line, £600.
CLARKE and SOLOMONS, Walker and Blue sts, N.S.
MARVELLOUS VALUE.—Allen's Model Homes, best positions studied, your benefit. 117 Pitt-st. T. 4405.
NORTH SHORE LINE.—Wanted to Purchase, Detached COTTAGE, 5 rooms and kitchen, handy to train, £500 cash. HOUSE, Paddington P.O.
SEVEN-RMD. Cottage wanted, with ground, close tram or train. State lowest rental, M.P.R., Herald.
WANTED, Partnership in Merchant's or Industrial Concern, have £8000, refs exchanged. 245, Herald.
WANTED, Furnished Cottage, Coogee or Bondi, at once. A. Crouch, 102 Darlinghurst-rd.
WANTED to Rent, in good repair, 6 Rooms, kit., &c., 1d sec. of town. 54, Oxford-st P.O.
WANTED to Purchase, Bk. Cottage, gd. cond., under £400, 10 miles city. F. B., P.O., Haymarket.
WANTED, good POULTRY FARM, for client, close to Sydney. Clines, 51 Elizabeth-st.
WANTED, Lease Small Cott., ¼ac ground, within 10 miles G.P.O. J. R. Wickham, Petersham P.O.
WANTED to Purchase, BLOCK OF LAND, in good position, water frontage if possible, at Cronulla. Apply HARDIE and GORMAN, 133 Pitt-street.
WANTED to rent, Cottage (detached), 4 rms., kit., etc., gas stove, Marrickville or good locality, 10 minutes' train or tram journey to railway station. C. H., 190½ Regent-st, Redfern.

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A CLEAN HOUSE, 6 rms., kit., bath, cop., tubs, 18s. S. Hills. Hy. Harper, 656 Crown-st, S.H.
ANNANDALE, choice pos., nr. tram.—House, 6 rms., kit., big yard, 15s. Ward, 77 P'matta-rd, An'dale.
AT Moore Park, 4 rooms, kit., bal., gas, 8s 6d. 18 Bennett-st, off Dowling-st.
A.—TWO Rooms, splendid position, first-class dressmaker or lady's reg. office. Mrs. Manning, Bondi J.
A NEWLY DONE UP 4-roomed COTTAGE, large yard, copper, every convenience, M'Evoy-street, rent only 9s. GEO. HUDSON and SON, Ltd., Regent-street, Redfern.
BALMAIN, nr. Birchgrove Pk.—House, 5 rms, kit., ev. mod. conv., 1 min. ferry, 39 Cove-st, Balmain.
BASEMENT, with offices, dry, well lighted and ventilated. 80 Pitt-st, near G.P.O.
COMMODIOUS FLAT, with ground floor and office space, to LET. Turner and Co., 102 Sussex-st.
COTTAGE, 5 rooms, gas, copper, stove, bath, tubs, l. yd., stables, rent 11s. 47 Stephen-st, Camperdown.
COTTAGE, Malakoff-street, Marrickville, nrly. new, 4 lge. rms., hall, kit., pantry, bathrm., shower and plunge, laund., fixed tubs and cop., tiled ver., gas, 1 min. tram, rent 11s. Parties, 632 George-street.
DARLINGHURST, 18 Orwell-st, 5 rooms, hall, kit., bathroom, every conv., thor. gd. ord. On premises.
DOCTORS' or Dentists' Rooms, at Clarendon-terrace, 291 Elizabeth-st, city, near Liverpool-st.
FACTORY, two large Floors, with or without power. 539 Elizabeth-st South.
FLAT, 5 rooms, suitable for offices, central, well lighted, suit dentist or solicitor. 45 Elizabeth-st.
FURN., Mosman, 25s, 30s, £2 2s, £4 4s. Griffiths, Avenue-rd, T. 146, or Stillman, 76 Pitt-st.
FREE Furn. Cottage to each purchaser of an Allotment on the Bay View Estate, Woy Woy.
FURNISHED Office, 1st floor, cool, well lighted, newly renovated. 45 Elizabeth-st.
FURN, tastefully, Cott., 4 rms, kit., gas stove, lin., cut., min. tram. 104 Brougham-st, D'hurst.
FURNISHED, Edgecliff-rd, Woollahra, 5-roomed Villa, piano, linen, cutlery, rental 35s. M. F., Herald.
FURN. Gent.'s Residence to Let, private family or boarding-house. 120 Trafalgar-st, Petersham.
FURN., superior Cottage, 4 dble. bedrms., 4 reception, stable, £2. Hastings, Herbert-st, Bexley.
FURNISHED COTTAGE, on hill, for 2 weeks, £2 4s. Mayfair, Manly, 286.
FURNISHED, Cremorne, for short term, 6-rmd. VILLA, elevated position, near wharf, harb. views, new sup. furn., linen, plate, garden, boathouse, etc., mod. rent. Dunlar, Glover-street, Mosman. Tel. 372.
FURN. VILLA, pleasant, open situation, 5 mins. from ferry, 8 good rooms, etc., up to 6 mos., piano, linen, cutlery, mod. rent. A. J. Coates, Clitheroe, Reid Park, Mosman, opposite Avenue-road.
FURNISHED well, and full boarders, fine House, D'hurst, beautiful grounds, £10. Bondi Junction.—Well-furn. Cott., piano, lin., cutl., harb. v., £2 2s. D'hurst, 7 r., £2 10s. Seymour, 156 King-st. T., 4297.
GLEBE POINT.—No. 10 ARCADIA-ROAD.—A Palatial RESIDENCE, very spacious, 12 rooms and outoffices, suitable for high-class boarding establishment, best position at The Point. Full particulars, W. T. TATE and DIVE, 138 Glebe Point-road. 'Phone, 68 Glebe.
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MANLY.—Furn. House, 4 b'rms., sitt., k., etc, gas stv., 1 min. beach, 30s. Butler, D. Hill, 236 Pet.
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MOUNTAIN HOME.—SACRIFICE. KATOOMBA.—Pretty and well-built COTTAGE, 6 rooms, etc., well furnished throughout, choice and elevated position, close railway, family in England, bedrock sale price. Terms from Alpha, Midgeon, Katoomba.
NEWTOWN.—4 Cottages, May-st, must be sold, a bargain. Mr. Cox, Produce Store, Newtown.
NORTH SYD.—Cottage, cl. tr. and ferry, 6 rms., 18s. McMurdo Bros., 187 Alfred-st, N. Syd.
NEUTRAL BAY HEIGHTS.—Brick COTTAGE, 5 rooms, kitchen, all conveniences, garden, near penny tram, 14s. BROWNRIGG, Agent, 244 Military-road, Neutral Bay.
NEUTRAL BAY, 5 minutes from principal wharf.—COTTAGE RESIDENCE, 6 rooms, kitchen, etc., garden back and front. For further particulars, O. H. LEWIS, Architect, 80 Pitt-street.
OFFICE to LET, ground floor, furnished, central, use of telephone, rent 10s. Forbes, Herald Branch.
PADDINGTON, 1 Goodhope-st.—Small Cottage, furn., bedroom appointments new, suit a newly mar. cpl.
PADDINGTON.—147 Underwood-st, new House, 6 rs., kit., ldry., ev. conv., 17s. Apply at premises.
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BRENDA, 6 rooms, hot water ser., 25s.
LOCHIEL, 5 rooms, hot water ser., 24s.
COWPER-STREET, bet. Church and Cook streets. Keys WARNE, Cook, Cowper streets, Randwick.
SHOP, 5 rms., at No. 34 Cleveland-st, Darlington, nr. City-rd, suit any bus., 14s. Key next door.
STORE to LET, Clarence-st, near Market-st. Chapman and Hazlewood, 127 King-st.
TO Let, small clean HOUSE, at 1¼ Wilmott-st, near Bathurst-st. Rent 10s.
TO LET, Carlton, lovely Home, alongside station, rent £1, owner residing there now, orchard, veg., and flowers, city water, 6 rooms, kitchen, every convenience, stable, 2 stalls, c'house. 'Phone, 2596 Central.
TO LET, furnished, large Cottage, near wharf, Watson's Bay, use of boat, 3 months, 25s per week. Apply C. P. S., G.P.O., Sydney.
TO LET, Furnished, for one month, KEMBLA, STATION-STREET, PETERSHAM, 3 minutes from railway station; every convenience, piano, etc. Apply owner, on premises.
UNFURNISHED Flat, every conv., hot bath, telephone, 5 min. city. 80 Darlinghurst-rd, top Wm. st.
UNFURN. Flat and single Rooms, in William-st, one door from P.O. Miss Meyer, 213 William-st.
WAVERLEY.—Large House, 9 rms., ¼ ac., cl. tram, £70 p.a. Legoe, Aus.-chbrs., opp. G.P.O.
WOOLLAHRA.—To Let, dbl. Cottage, bay window, Nelson st, 2 doors from Oxford-st, 5 rooms, etc.
WORKROOM or Office, in Young's-chbrs., corner of Park and Pitt sts, rent 6s. Apply No. 5 office.

WANTED TO PURCHASE.

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FURN. COTTAGE Free to each purchaser of an Allotment on the Bay View Estate, Woy Woy.
TANKS.—Several second-hand Gal. Iron Tanks, any size, wanted. Ware, Builder, Mandalong-rd, Mos.
HAND Sewing Machine, 13yds Oilcloth, for hall. Price to 137 Edgecliff-rd, Woollahra.
NOTICE TO DEALERS.—Best price given for own brand flasks. Wessel, Ct. House Hotel, Oxford-st.
A GO-CART, must be good order. State price, Lewis, Box 7, P.O., Sutherland.
WANTED, TWO-TON HAND TRAVELLING CRANE. State gauge and approximate weight and price f.o.b. Sydney to Dalgety's Wharf, Miller's Point.
WANTED to buy, 1 full-plate CAMERA. Send particulars to 224 Harris-st, Pyrmont.
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WANTED, 2 second-hand Singer Sewing Machines, good order. 40 Hopewell-st, Paddington.
WANTED to Purchase, good TANK, cheap. State price, J. Sweet, No. 1 Garran-lane, Glebe Point.

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DOG, POINTER, liver and white, fit for show; Broken Gun, trial, £5. A. Smith, Berwick, Victoria.
SILVER WYANDOTTES, a new lot, only 5/6 pair; Buff Orp'tons, 7/6. P.R.L., Haymarket. Harris.
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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

MUNICIPALITY OF BURWOOD.
TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF ALDERMEN.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1906, the Triennial Election of Aldermen for the Municipality of Burwood will be held on SATURDAY, February 1st, 1908.

Nine (9) Aldermen are to be elected, viz., three (3) for each Ward (North, South, and East), and will be entitled to remain in office until the last Friday of January, 1911.

Nomination day is hereby declared to be Friday, January 24th, 1908.

On such day, at 12 o'clock, noon, I shall, at the Council-chambers, Burwood, publicly read the names of the persons proposed for nomination, and nominate as candidates for election those persons so proposed whose nomination papers are valid.

Proposals for nomination as candidates must be in the prescribed form (copies of which may be obtained at the Council-chambers, Burwood), and will be received by me at the Council-chambers, Burwood, at any time up to 5 o'clock p.m. Thursday, January 23rd instant.

Each candidate must be proposed on a separate nomination paper, by at least two electors of the Ward for which he is proposed.

GEORGE SIMPSON, Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Burwood, January 10, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF BALMAIN.
ALDERMANIC ELECTIONS.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with Section 42 of the Local Government Act, 1906, the present members of the Council will retire from office on the 31st day of January 1908, and on the following day, 1st February, 1908, the ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL will take place.

Nomination Day has been fixed for FRIDAY, the 24th January, 1908.

Nominations shall be made in the prescribed manner, and must be delivered into my hands not later than 5 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1908.

The prescribed form of Nomination Paper may be procured on application at the office of the Council, Darling-street, Balmain.

The attention of Candidates is particularly directed to Sections 69, 70, and 71 of the Local Government Act, regarding qualification and disqualification.

J. COOGER, Council Clerk and Engineer, Returning Officer.
Town Hall, Balmain, 16th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF CAMPERDOWN.
GENERAL ELECTION OF ALDERMEN.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1906, and Ordinances made thereunder, the Election of TWELVE ALDERMEN (three for each Ward) for the Municipality of Camperdown for the triennial period commencing 1908, will be held on SATURDAY, 1st February, 1908.

I hereby appoint FRIDAY, the 24th January, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon, as the DAY OF NOMINATION, and the Town Hall, George-street, Camperdown, as the place of nomination.

Proposals for Nomination, in writing, and on the prescribed forms, must be delivered to me, at the office of the Council, before 5 o'clock p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant.

M. J. LARKIN, Returning Officer.
Town Hall, Camperdown, 15th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF CANTERBURY.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1906, and the Ordinances thereunder, an ELECTION will be held on SATURDAY, the 1st day of February, 1908, for the purpose of Electing NINE (9) ALDERMEN (three for each of the North, East, and West Wards) for the above-mentioned Municipality, for the triennial period commencing February, 1908.

I hereby appoint FRIDAY, the 24th day of January, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon, to be the day of Nomination.

All Nominations must be delivered to me at the Town Hall, Canterbury, by 5 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, the 23rd day of January, 1908.

Nomination Papers may be obtained by any elector upon application to the Council Clerk.

JEFFREY DUNNISS, Returning Officer.
Town Hall, Canterbury, 16th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF DRUMMOYNE.
RETURNING OFFICER.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. CHARLES ERNEST MORGAN, Council Clerk, has been appointed to fulfil the duties of Returning Officer at the forthcoming Municipal Elections for the triennial period commencing 1908.

EDWIN F. SUTTON, Mayor.
Council-chambers, Drummoyne, 14th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF DRUMMOYNE.
TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF ALDERMEN.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1906, the election of TWELVE ALDERMEN for the Wards of the above Municipality will take place on SATURDAY, 1st February, 1908.

Three (3) Aldermen are to be elected for each of the Four Wards of the Municipality, viz.:—East, South, North, and West, such Aldermen being entitled to hold office until the last Friday in January, 1911.

NOMINATION DAY has been fixed for FRIDAY, 24th January, 1908.

Nominations, in the prescribed form, which can be obtained at the Council-chambers, must be delivered to me before 5 o'clock in the afternoon of THURSDAY, 23rd January, 1908.

Nominations will be announced at the Council-chambers at 12 noon on Nomination Day.

C. E. MORGAN, Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Drummoyne, 16th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF ERSKINEVILLE.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1906, and the Ordinances made thereunder, an Election will be held on

SATURDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, 1908,

for the purpose of Electing NINE ALDERMEN for the Municipality of Erskineville for the Triennial period commencing 1908, and I hereby appoint

FRIDAY, the 24th of JANUARY,

as the day of Nomination, at 12 o'clock noon.

Nominations must be delivered to me before 5 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, the 23rd of JANUARY, 1908, at the Council-chambers, Erskineville-road.

Nomination Papers may be obtained on application to the Council Clerk.

RICHARD BELL, Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Erskineville, 16th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF LEICHHARDT.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. F. H. G. HARGREAVES has been duly appointed SUBSTITUTE RETURNING OFFICER for the First Triennial Election of Aldermen for the Municipality of Leichhardt, in the Year 1908.

T. SIDGWICK FLETCHER, J.P., Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Town Hall, Leichhardt, 15th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF MANLY.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1906, and the Ordinances made thereunder, an ELECTION will be held on SATURDAY, the first day of FEBRUARY, 1908, for the purpose of electing NINE (9) ALDERMEN (three for each ward) for the above-mentioned Municipality for the Triennial period commencing 1908, and I hereby appoint FRIDAY, 24th day of JANUARY, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon, as the day of nomination. All proposals for Nomination must be delivered to me at the Council-chambers, Manly, not later than 5 p.m. on THURSDAY, 23rd day of January, 1908.

Proposed Forms for Nomination may be obtained at the Council-chambers on application during office hours.

D. HOGAN, Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Manly, 15th January, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF NEWTOWN.
TRIENNIAL ELECTION.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act and Ordinances, that the GENERAL ELECTION of Aldermen for the Enmore, Camden, Kingston, and O'Connell Wards of the above Municipality will be held on SATURDAY, 1st February, 1908.

Nominations on the prescribed form (obtainable from the Council Clerk), together with the written consent of the nominees, whose signatures must be attested by a witness, must be lodged with me at the Town Hall, Bedford-street, between the hours of 2 o'clock and 5 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, the 23rd instant.

FRIDAY, the 24th instant, is hereby appointed the Day of Nomination, and at 12 o'clock noon, at the said Town Hall, nominations received will be publicly announced; and in the event of there being more Candidates for each Ward than the number of Aldermen required, a POLL will be taken on the said 1st day of February, 1908, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., at the polling places to be announced on the day and place of nomination.

A. MACKINTOSH, Returning Officer.
Town Hall, Newtown, 15th January, 1908.

THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH SYDNEY.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Act of 1906, and the Ordinances made thereunder, Notice is hereby given that a GENERAL ELECTION for the purpose of electing 15 Aldermen—three for each Ward, viz., Belmore Ward, Kirribilli Ward, Tunks Ward, Victoria Ward, and Warringa Ward of the Municipality of North Sydney, will be holden on SATURDAY, the first day of February next.

FRIDAY, the 24th day of January instant, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Town Hall, North Sydney, is hereby appointed the day and place for Nomination of Candidates for the said Election; and in the event of there being no more than three Candidates duly nominated for each of such Wards, such Candidates shall then and there be declared duly elected.

Candidates must be proposed for nomination in the manner prescribed in the Ordinance made under the said Act, and set out at the foot hereof.

Nomination papers, with the consent of the Candidates, attested by a witness, attached, must be delivered to me before 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the 23rd day of January instant, at the Town Hall, North Sydney. Nomination papers in the form of the 11th Schedule to the said Ordinances may be procured by any Elector upon application to me at the Town Hall, North Sydney.

ORDINANCE.

(1) Every Candidate for the office of Councillor or Alderman shall be proposed for nomination in writing in the form of the nomination paper in the eleventh Schedule, or to the like effect, and such writing shall (a) state the surname and other names of the Candidate, and his abode and occupation, if any, and (b) be signed as proposers by at least two electors of the Riding or Ward, or undivided area for which he is proposed.

(2) Every person so proposed must be qualified in manner provided by Part IX. of the Act, but he need not necessarily be enrolled as an Elector in respect of the particular Riding or Ward (if any) for which he is proposed.

(3) Each Candidate must be proposed on a separate nomination paper.

Dated at North Sydney this fifteenth day of January, 1908.

W. BARNETT SMITH, Returning Officer.

MUNICIPALITY OF WOOLLAHRA.

Mr. HENRY TRENCHARD announces that he is a CANDIDATE for the Double Bay Ward at the ensuing election.
Eastbourne, Darling Point.

NEWTOWN.—Camden Ward.—Ewald, Archibald, builder, contractor, is a Candidate for Election.

MUNICIPALITY OF RANDWICK.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. ERNEST HENRY STRACHAN has been appointed RETURNING OFFICER in connection with the General Election of Aldermen for this Municipality for the year 1908.

J. C. M'DOUGALL, J.P., Mayor.
Town Hall, Randwick, January 15, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF RANDWICK.
GENERAL ELECTION OF ALDERMEN.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, No. 56, 1906, and Ordinances thereunder that a MEETING of the ELECTORS of the MUNICIPALITY OF RANDWICK will be held at the Council-chambers, Avoca-street, Randwick, on THURSDAY, the 23rd day of JANUARY, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of Nominating and Electing twelve Aldermen (three each for West, Middle, Coogee, and South Wards) for the triennial period commencing 1908.

NOMINATIONS on the prescribed forms, which must have the written consent of the persons nominated, to be in my hands not later than 5 o'clock p.m. of WEDNESDAY, the 22nd day of JANUARY.

In the event of more candidates being nominated than are required, a POLL of the Electors will take place on SATURDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY, 1908, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., at places to be announced on the day of nomination. Nomination Papers may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

ERNEST HY. STRACHAN, Returning Officer.
Town Hall, Randwick, January 15th, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF RANDWICK.—Alderman S. SEARLE, Belmore-road, and D. M. COOPER, Frome, Perouse-road, are Candidates for South Ward.

MUNICIPALITY OF REDFERN.
TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF ALDERMEN.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1906, and Ordinances thereunder, the Election of TWELVE ALDERMEN (three for each Surry Hills, Belmore, Redfern, and Golden Grove Wards) will take place on SATURDAY, the 1st day of February, 1908, and that FRIDAY, the 24th day of January, 1908, is hereby appointed to be the DAY OF NOMINATION for the said election.

Proposals for Nomination in the prescribed form must be delivered to the Returning Officer, at the Council-chambers, Pitt-street, Redfern, not later than 5 o'clock p.m., on THURSDAY, the 23rd day of January, 1908.

Nominations will be publicly announced at the Town Hall, Pitt-street, Redfern, at 12 o'clock noon on the day of nomination.

Forms of proposal for nomination may be obtained by any elector upon application at the Council-chambers during office hours.

ROBERT WILLIAM GRIERSON, Council Clerk and Returning Officer, Council-cham., Redfern, Jan. 15, '08.

MUNICIPALITY OF WAVERLEY.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. PERCY OSWALD COULTER has been appointed Substitute Returning Officer for the General Election of Aldermen on February 1st next.

JOHN CLUBB, Council Clerk, Returning Officer.
Council Chambers, Waverley, 15th January, 1908.

ALDERMAN Jackson is a Candidate for South Ward, Coogee. Hon. Secretary, R. T. Evans.

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SALE OF.—200 NEW, S.-H. VEHICLES, Sulkies, from £6 10s; Long Tray, Bent-shaft Buggies, Sociables, Dogcarts, Hyde Park Phaetons, Victorias, Light Drags, Waggonettes, Confectioners', Hawkers' Waggons, S. Lorries, 'Buses, Tipcarts, Handcarts, Wheelbarrows, 60 sets Har. Elliott's, 493 Geo.-st, nr. Bath.-st. T., 2447.

PONY, Sulky Turnout, £16; Village Cart Turnout, £9; Butter Cart Turnout, £12; young Pony, £8; Horse, £3; Village Cart, £4 10s; Butcher's Carts, Springcarts, from £3. 41 Engine-st, Haymarket.

FOR SALE, BROUGHAM, 1 horse or pair, built to order by Laurie and Marner, nearly new, rubber tyres. Apply VEHICLE, Herald Office.

FOR Sale, Draught Horses, Mares, Tipdrays, Harness. Phillis, 105 Bourke-st, Redfern. T., 365.

FOR Sale, Sulkies, Waggonettes, Vans, Spring Carts, Horses, Harness. 48 Missenden-rd, Newtown.

SMART 14-hand PONY TURNOUT, £12 lot. O'Hara, Lyons-rd, Five Dock.

PONY (5 yrs.), Dogcart, and Harness, smart turnout, any trial. E. M'Keown, Stony Ck.-rd, Pymble.

PUREBRED Yellow Jersey Cow for Sale, just calved. Mrs. W. Butler, Rockleigh, Epping. Tel., 17.

SALE, Bay Horse, £3; no further use, good in harness; Sulky, cheap. 79 Evans-st, Rozelle, Balmain.

FOR SALE, Cab HORSE, cheap, suit any light harness work. W. J. Hyde, 31 Little Arthur-st, N.S.

SALE, reliable fast 15.2 h. Horse, suit dealer, £6 10s. Eggins, Arncliffe.

FOR Sale, Stallion Pony, and Harness, 12 h., quiet, any trial, lady can drive. 23 Bay-st, Glebe.

DOUBLE-SEATED Buggy, by Keary, patent axle; Harness, ch. Royal Edward Hotel, Forbes-st, Ntn.

USEFUL HORSE for SALE, trial. 115 Alice-st, Newtown.

FOR Sale, 15.1 PONY, £5, champion hackney, good in harness. 8 May-st, St. Peters.

WELL-BRED 14 hand Mare, Sulky, and Har., lady drive, best offer. 191 Trafalgar-st, Annandale.

FOR Sale, valuable Trotting MARE and Stallion Foal. Apply 28 Hutchinson-st, St. Peters.

BAY Horse, suit single lorry, splendid worker, trial given. 71 Darlington-rd.

MUST SELL.—Bay Pony, 13.2, good mover, quiet. Before 11, Ventnor, Francis-st, Marrickville.

SACRIFICE.—Heavy Dr. Horse and set of Dray Har., lot £14. 57 Engine-st, H'market, off George-st.

SALE, 3 Square Brougham Cabs, 2 open Cabs, licensed, sell cheap. 1 Kimber-lane, Junction-st, F. Lg.

PRETTIEST Miniature Turnout, Syd., very quiet, young, fast, lady drive. 13 Coleridge-st, Lhdt.

FOR SALE, Upstanding Mare, any trial; Dealer's Van and Harn., chp. 21 Lodge-st, Forest Lodge.

TO Medical Men and Others.—Bay COB, 15.2, sound and stanch. 1 Baptist-st, Redfern.

A COW, in calf, for Sale. For particulars apply 249 George-st.

CHEAP, reliable Horse, Van, Harness; fast 12 h. Pony, Sulky, Harness; etc. 493 George-st.

PONY Stallion, suit breeder, 4 Mares and Horses, 2 Sulkies, terms. 22 Addison-rd, Marrickville.

FOR SALE, 2-spring long-shaft Sulky, cheap. Ivy Cottage, Charles-st, off Bourke-st, Redfern.

FOR SALE, Grey Gelding, Harness, suit van, light cart, good worker. W. Dunbar, Apsley-st, P'hurst.

FOR Sale, reliable Van Horse, any trial, cheap. 51 Queen-st, Woollahra.

NEXT SATURDAY.—SALE at VAUCLUSE. Splendid SITES. R. and W., Ltd.

HARNESS LEATHERS.—Large stocks to select from. J. C. LUDOWICI and SON, Ltd., Tanners, 117 York-street, Sydney.

TWENTY HORSES, Light and Heavy, from £3; Vehicles of every description; Tray Sulky Turnout, £12; Dealer's Turnout, £10; Pony Turnout, suit lady, £16; Pony Phaeton, £6. 20 Engine-st, Haymkt.

THICK-SET 12.2 Pony, 6 yrs., perfectly sound, good goer, very quiet; well-built Bent-shaft Sulky, hand-sewn Harness, Lamp, Whip, Rug; all in thorough order, cheap. Corryong, Juliett-st, Enmore.

FOR SALE, Lloyd's Patent 6-spring Sulkies, with patent band brake and hood; second-hand Sulkies, Phaetons, Dog Cart, Bradley (with hood), Rubber Tyre Sulky (with hood), 162 Bay-st, opp. Grace's.

BROUGHAMS, Buggies, Family Sociables, Sulkies, Express and Hawkers' Waggons, Harness, and Saddlery at lowest possible prices; inspection invited. McNAMARA'S Bazaar, 157 Castlereagh-street.

CARRYALL TURNOUT.—A First-class Bay Gelding, Hooded Carryall, with rubber tyres, and set brass harness, making a first-class lot, on view at McNAMARA'S, 157 Castlereagh-street.

FOR SALE, Pony, Sulky Turnout, very quiet, lady drive, cheap. Mrs. Collins, Palmerston-st, Kog.

GOOD active Pony for Sale, quiet in saddle, harness. 6 Burton-st, Camperdown.

MUST SELL.—Stylish Brown Pony, 4 yrs., by Tuxedo, any trial, £12. 81 Mitchell-st, Glebe.

THIRTY POUNDS can secure good Horse, Tipdray, Harness, with work, £3 5s wkly. 508 Elizabeth-st.

WANTED, VAN, HORSE, and HARNESS, suit dealer, must be cheap. 14 Day-st, Leichhardt.

WANTED, strong ¾ light Square VAN, in good order. J. Kinkade, Model Dairy, Moore-st, Leichhardt.

WANTED to Purchase or Hire, old Harness Horse. Butter Merchant, 20 Old Canterbury-rd, Sum. Hill.

WANTED to Buy, second-hand one-man Sulky. G. P., 321 Young-st, Annandale. Open 4 days.

WANTED, PHAETON. A. Z., Glebe P.O.

WANTED, good Ballarat TIPCART, in good order. Apply D. Levy, Park-st, Canterbury.

WANTED, 12 or 13 hd. Pony, broken s. and h.; also Sulky and Harness. State price, 925, Herald.

WANTED to Buy, an 11 or 12 hand Pony. State price to A.H., Oxford-st Post-office.

DEAD and Worn-out Horses bought, highest price given. W. Tumeth, Bank-st, Chip'dale. T., 236 Red.

DEAD Horses and Cows Bought to 10s head; Alive to £1. Connelly, 202 Botany-rd, Alexandria. T. 358 R.

BURWOOD or Strathfield.—Lady Wishes Rent Pad'ck, saddle horse, few weeks. Honor, P.O., Penrith.

AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS' BAZAAR.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 10.30 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, commencing with TURNOUTS, followed by specially advertised lots, as under:—

AT 11.15 A.M.

On account of Owner.
Brown Draught Gelding, any trial; Covered-in Waggon, with Pole and Shafts; and set of Harness, making a first-class turnout.

On account of Owner.
Bay Gelding, 16 hands, quiet and reliable in harness; Bent-shaft Sulky, and Harness, equal to new.

On account of Owner.
Upstanding Bay Gelding, 5 years, 15.3, a splendid hack, fast and stylish in harness, with rubber-tyred Sulky, and Harness; Bay Cob, 14 hands, superior B.S. Sulky, and Harness; also Sylph Pony Sulky, set of Hopples, Saddle, and Bridle, and set of Harness.

On account of Mrs. Moore, Randwick.
Bay Pony Gelding, 14 hands, thoroughly quiet for children to ride or drive; American Piano-box Buggy (by Angus), and Harness, making a neat lot.

AT 12 O'CLOCK.
TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

On account of Mr. T. Carey, Macleay River.
Bay Mare, 5 years, half-sister to the well-known racing pony Noreen, and full sister to Ensign (a good performer in the country), by The Friar from Alma, by Zulu, broken to saddle and untried.

AT 12.15.

On account Mr. J. B. Turner, Kiama.
5 Upstanding Light Horses, and Child's Pony, all thoroughly broken.

On account of Mr. G. Jones.
Bay Gelding, thoroughly broken to harness, and exceptionally fast, make a good sulky or buggy horse.

On account of Owner.
Dark Chestnut Pony Gelding, thickly set, very quiet in saddle and harness, and accustomed to trams.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.
INGLIS'S RAILWAY STOCK SALEYARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 a.m.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell as above on account Messrs. M'Intosh Bros, D. Boller, and other owners,
60 First-class Milch Cows, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.

INGLIS'S STOCK SALEYARDS.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, JAN. 16th.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Executors late Edw. Terry to sell by auction, at the usual hour,
The well-known Eastwood Dairy Herd, comprising 11 first-class Cows and Heifers (Ayrshire and Jersey cross), some in milk, others springing, all good dairy sorts.

12 FIRST-CLASS COWS AND HEIFERS, WITH CALVES AT FOOT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. T. W. Boardman, Picton, to sell by auction, at their Railway Stock Saleyards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 a.m.,
12 Cows and Heifers, with Calves at foot; a good lot.

8 CHOICE COWS, FROM GOULBURN.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Dunn, Goulburn, to sell by auction, at their Railway Stock Saleyards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 a.m.,
8 First-class Cows, all newly calved, calves at foot, and splendid milkers.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE.

OUR NEXT SALE at the above Yards will be held on SATURDAY, JANUARY 25th, 1908.

OWNERS who intend favouring us with the Sale of their Stock for that date will oblige by forwarding particulars at once.

WILLIAM INGLIS AND SON, AUCTIONEERS.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.
CAMPERDOWN YARDS.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 2.30 P.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, as above,

On account Messrs. HOPE OSBORNE BROS., Widgeongully, Jogiong.
20 really good-class Horses, comprising a few Draughts, the balance strong, active Van and Business Cart Horses; also upstanding Light Horses, suitable for cab, buggy, and sulky work, all 4 to 6 yrs. old, in the pink of condition, broken in.
Included in the lot is a thoroughbred Pony, by Argenaut (imp.).

On account Mr. C. SELLARS, West Maitland.
12 Head, comprising Heavy and Medium Draughts, and the balance fit for all classes of light work, all broken in.

On account Mr. E. H. K. DOWNES, Brownlow Hill.
10 Upstanding Light Harness and Saddle Horses, and two or three Draughts, in first-class condition, broken in. Among the lot is a splendid Sad. and Har. Pony.

On account Mr. T. HAMILTON, Contractor.
9 Heavy Draught Horses, 4 to 6 yrs., all thoroughly stanch, in splendid condition, and straight out of work.

On account Mr. C. H. RICKARD, Thirlmere.
First-class Bay Draught Colt, young, and broken to harness.

On account of Mr. W. E. RAMSEY, Bega.
Upstanding Pair of Blacks (Colt and Filly), full brother and sister, 3 and 4 yrs., by Seneschal from a pure coaching mare, both unbroken, suit an Undertaker; also Brown Filly, 2 yrs., from a Rebel Childe mare, unbroken.

On account of Owner.
Brown Draught Gelding, thoroughly broken to harness.

On account of Owner.
Bay Gelding, about 15.2, broken to harness.

On account Mr. S. JONES.
2 Draught and 2 Light Harness Horses, thoroughly reliable and stanch.

On account Mr. ROBT. SMALL.
Bay Active Draught Colt, rising 4 years old, unbroken.

WANTED, First-class TROTTING STALLION (not a pacer), 15.3 to 16 hands, up to 8 years. We have a buyer for the above.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON, AUCTIONEERS.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.
THE SYDNEY PRODUCE SELLING BROKERS will offer Catalogues TO-DAY as under:—
At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place:
HAIR, HORNS, and SUNDRIES, at 10 a.m.
TALLOW, at 2.30 p.m.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M., on the Premises,
BOGNOR, 15 PEMELL-STREET, NEWTOWN.
SIDEBOARD, LEATHER COUCH, Aus. Chairs, WARDROBE, Large COMB. CHEST, Marble Clock, H.T. W. STAND, BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, Garden Seat, Linoleum, EUREKA GAS STOVE, DRESSER, KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS, etc., etc.
NO RESERVE. TERMS CASH.
HYAM HAINS will sell as above, under instructions from the Owner.
Alight from tram at SIMMONS-STREET, ENMORE.
The Furniture is in first-class condition.
Auctioneer's Offices, 243 Pitt-street. 'Phone, 2547.

THIS DAY.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with Mr. H. E. Phipps, of the Mont de Piete Loan Office, 414 Oxford-street, Paddington.
At 11 o'clock, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, etc.
At 3 o'clock, Sundries and Jewellery.

THIS DAY, AT 2.30,
AT 170 GEORGE-STREET WEST, near Shepherd-street.
MIDDLETON and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, very handsome Overmantels, Plateglass, Carved Sideboards, Carpets, Oilcloth, massive Nickel-mounted Bedsteads and Bedding, Tables, Tablecloths, Combination Chests, Chests of Drawers, Suites, Chairs, Crockery, Superba Sewing Machine, H.T. Washstands, Pictures, Bicycle, etc. NO RESERVE.
Furniture Received for Sale.

RY-CELA, RY-CELA, RY-CELA, is a pleasant change for breakfast. It contains all the well-known sustaining properties of rice, and is therefore highly nutritious and easily digested.

CONTINUATION SALE.
DELARUE'S STOCK.
JEWELLERY, STERLING SILVER, AND ELECTRO-PLATE.
GREAT UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE, on the Premises,
378 GEORGE-STREET, NEAR G.P.O.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 16th JANUARY, AT 11 A.M.
THE SECOND DAY'S SALE of the VERY VALUABLE STOCK of THE OLD-ESTABLISHED FIRM OF DELARUE LTD. (VALUED AT OVER £3000), including
GOLD and SILVER WATCHES, by Waltham, Rotherham, and other first-class makers.
Diamond Rings, Dress Rings, Brooches, Bangles, Gold Alberts, Muff Chains, Pendants, Trinkets, Sovereign Cases, Etc., Etc., Etc.
STERLING SILVER GOODS.
TOILET TABLE REQUISITES, BRUSHES, MIRRORS, MANICURE SETS, SPECIMEN VASES, CRUETS, CIGAR and CIGARETTE BOXES, etc., etc.
ELECTROPLATE.
A VERY EXTENSIVE STOCK OF ALL TABLE REQUISITES.
Cruets, Tea and Coffee Services, Teapots, Afternoon Tea Sets, Pickle Frames, Egg Cruets, Entree Dishes, Biscuit Barrels, Afternoon Tea Spoons, Jam and Jelly Dishes, etc., etc.
CLOCKS AND BRONZES.
☞ THE WHOLE OF THE STOCK is in Beautiful Order, and THE QUALITY OF THE GOODS FULLY UP TO THE HIGH STANDARD for which DELARUE'S, LIMITED, are so well known throughout Australia.
Also, SHOP FITTINGS AND SUNDRIES.
CLOCK FOR TOWN HALL OR PUBLIC BUILDING, by COLLIN, SUCCESSOR TO WAGNER, Rue de Montmartre, Paris.
*** ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. DIAMOND BROS. to sell by Auction as above.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, at JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE'S AUCTION ROOMS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.
HIGHLY SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS.
Including the Complete Furnishings removed from the Residence of Mrs. CUNNINGHAM, Turramurra-avenue, Turramurra, and on account of numerous vendors,
comprising
CUT AND ENGRAVED TABLE GLASS. FINE CHINA. SUPERIOR CUTLERY. TABLE AND ELECTROPLATE, from the leading English Silversmiths, including ELKINGTON, DIXON AND SONS, AND JOSEPH ROGERS AND SON.
MASSIVE DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, consisting of SEVERAL SIDEBOARDS, sizes 4ft 6in, 5ft, and 6ft. TELESCOPE DINING TABLES. OPEN AND ENCLOSED DINNER WAGGONS. LEATHER DINING SUITES.
HANDSOME OVERMANTELS.
SUPERIOR ROLL-TOP DESK. MAHOGANY CYLINDER FALL DESK. LIBRARY OF BOOKS.
DRAWING-ROOM AND OCCASIONAL SUITES. OCCASIONAL TABLES AND CHAIRS. CHOICE ORNAMENTS AND BRIC-A-BRAC. VALUABLE PICTURES.
SUPERB CARL ECKE PIANOFORTE, A VALUABLE UPRIGHT MODEL, IN ITALIAN WALNUT CASE, nearly new. Can be highly recommended.
Also, SEVERAL PIANOFORTES BY THE FOLLOWING MAKERS:—
Hans Bulow, W. J. Ennever and Co., Broadwood and Son, Max Klingthal, Brinsmead and Sons, and others.
GRAMOPHONE TALKING MACHINE.
HUNGARIAN ASH BEDROOM SUITE. SEVERAL CHIPPENDALE BEDROOM SUITES. WARDROBES, COMBINATION CHESTS. ENCLOSED LINEN PRESSES. TWO SINGER'S LATEST IMPROVED SEWING MACHINES. NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE. DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS, with Bedding, etc., complete.
Three Ice Chests, Raleigh and Eureka Gas Stoves, Several Patent Mangles.
QUANTITY HOUSE AND TABLE LINEN.
AMERICAN FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFE. SMALL CHUBB'S SAFE.
Also ABOUT 30 HEAD PRIZE STRAIN POULTRY, etc., etc., etc.
ON VIEW THIS DAY, THURSDAY.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FURNITURE AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.
TELEPHONE NO., 2056.

THIS DAY, JANUARY 16th, 1908, 11 O'CLOCK.
12 MERTON-STREET, STANMORE. 150 Yards from Railway Station.
ORLANDO I. KEMPTHORNE has received instructions from Mrs. MACDOUGALL to sell, WITHOUT RESERVE, THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS contained in the above Commodious Residence,
PIANO, ESDAILE.
PAINTINGS by YOUNG, HARRIS, FIELDING.
WALNUT CANTERBURY, OCCASIONAL CHAIRS.
PEDESTAL TABLES, DEXTER ROCKER, CURTAINS.
2 SUPERIOR CARPETS. HANDSOME HALL STAND, MARBLE CLOCK.
DINING-ROOM SUITE. SIDEBOARD, FINISHED ROSEWOOD, very special. WALNUT OVERMANTEL. MAHOGANY DINNER WAGGON.
BEAUTIFUL FRAME, IN WORKED LEATHER. EXTENSION TABLE, CANE CHAIRS. BRONZE ORNAMENTS, CHINA VASES. GLASSWARE and ELECTRO-PLATED GOODS. MANDOLIN, OPOSSUM RUG.
WHITE SEWING MACHINE.
BEDROOM SUITE, COMBINATION CHESTS. BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEAD. WARDROBES, OTTOMAN COUCH.
KITCHEN FURNITURE and UTENSILS. A Large Quantity of GENERAL SUNDRIES.
Tel., 5216. Auctioneer's Address, 280 PITT-STREET.

DARLINGHURST.
THIS DAY, AT 11 A.M. AUCTION SALE at No. 20 CRAIGEND-STREET.
Under instructions from Mrs. CAHILL, owing to her relinquishing Housekeeping.
CHINA, GLASS, ELECTROPLATE, and ORNAMENTS. 5FT ENCLOSED SIDEBOARD, DINING-ROOM SUITE, in Leather, 9 pieces, SOLID OAK EXTENSION TABLE, SUPERIOR WALNUT OVERMANTEL, FANCY WICKER CHAIRS, OCCASIONAL TABLES. Quantity of BEST QUALITY LINOLEUMS.
HALL APPOINTMENTS,
DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS and BEDDING. BEDROOM SUITES. COMBINATION CHESTS. MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS. CHESTS OF DRAWERS. KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY REQUISITES.
Inspection morning of sale from 9 o'clock.
H. Y. NORTON, AUCTIONEER, Post Office-chambs. Telephone, 746.

TO-DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M.
On the Premises, 60 BROUGHAM-STREET, DARLINGHURST.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, comprising MODERN ROSEWOOD BEDROOM SUITE, WALNUT-FINISHED SIDEBOARD, P.G. B., AUSTRIAN CHAIRS, DOUBLE BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING, COMB. CHESTS, PINE BEDROOM SUITE, TABLES, COUCH, Oilcloth, Pictures, Washstands and Toilet Ware, Dresser, Kitchen Utensils, etc.
J. RUSSELL JONES has received instructions to sell by auction as above.
TERMS CASH. NO RESERVE.

TO DRAPERY, CLOTHING, AND MERCERY BUYERS. FOR UNRESERVED AUCTION. Under Bill of Sale.
On the Premises, 437 OXFORD-STREET, PADDINGTON (near Elizabeth-street), TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK, Stock of General Drapery, Clothing, Mercery, Hosiery, Haberdashery, Trimmed and Untrimmed Millinery, Crockery, Brushware, etc.
M. GOULSTON AND COMPANY will sell TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11. Offices, 6 City-chambers, 243 Pitt-street.

AT THE SALEROOM, 63 PITT-STREET. THURSDAY, 16th JANUARY, 1908, AT 2.30 P.M. Under instructions from CLAUDE HEALY and CO., as Agents for Messrs. Lampard, Clark, and Co., Calcutta; the Colombo Commercial Company, Ltd., Colombo; Messrs. Crosfield, Lampard, and Co., Colombo.
700 PACKAGES CEYLON TEAS. 500 PACKAGES INDIAN TEAS.
ALFRED HARVEY AND CO., Selling Brokers, 63 Pitt-street, Sydney. SAMPLES ON VIEW at Brokers' Office.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 16th JANUARY, 1908, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE, BY AUCTION, AT THE MART, 124, 126, AND 128 CASTLEREAGH-ST.
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF BOOTS AND SHOES, Comprising ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND COLONIAL MADE.
LADIES' and GIRLS' OXFORD SHOES, in BLACK and TAN GLACE.
LADIES' and GIRLS' GLACE KID and TAN BALMORALS.
LADIES' PATENT LEATHER LACE SHOES.
WOMEN'S CALF BALMORALS and SHOES.
MEN'S GLACE TAN BUTTON and BALMORALS.
MEN'S CALF GOLOSHED BALMORALS.
MEN'S, YOUTHS', and BOYS' NAILED BLUCHERS.
BOYS' LACE and BLUCHER BOOTS and COSSACKS.
CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES.
And MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES.
S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY have received instructions to SELL the above, BY AUCTION, at their Mart, 124, 126, AND 128 CASTLEREAGH-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 o'clock.

THIS DAY, ON THE PREMISES, ALLENDALE, 636 BOURKE-STREET, MOORE PARK, near Cleveland-street, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE by Public Auction of PIANO AND GENERAL FURNISHINGS of AN EIGHT-ROOMED HOUSE, occasioned by the departure of the owner (A. W. WADE, Esq.) from the State.
The "HELLER" PIANO, in walnut case, has full iron frame, and in tip-top condition.
For those in quest of a really good instrument this is a splendid opportunity.
THE FURNISHINGS ARE IN PERFECT PRESERVATION, comprising
WALNUT HALLSTAND. Three very fine BEDROOM SUITES and two of smaller design.
CHINA, GLASS, and ELECTROPLATED WARE.
Fine Upstanding HORSE, in fine condition. Set of Harness, small Sulky and Harness, etc., etc.
DALWOOD AND CO., LTD., AUCTIONEERS, have been favoured with instructions from A. W. WADE, Esq., to conduct this important Sale. Every lot to go to the highest bidder.
Auctioneers' Offices, 113 Bathurst-street. Tel., 1624.

To Shopkeepers, Drapers, Dealers, and Others.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 16th JAN., AT 11 O'CLOCK.
HENRY LEVY has received instructions from Mrs. Walker, who is retiring from business, to Sell by Auction the whole of her Stock of Children's high-class Dresses, Silk, Cashmere, Zephyr, Muslin, Sateen, Flannelettes, Superior Lot of Smocked Dresses, Ladies' Wrappers, Dressing Jackets, Underskirts, Aprons, etc. Also, Glass Showcases, Figures, Window Fittings, large Doll, Outside Lamp, etc. NO RESERVE. On the premises, 56 Enmore-road, Newtown.
N.B.—Auctioneer's Office, 81 George-street West.

FRIDAY, 17th JANUARY, 1908, at 11 o'clock.
HOUSE AND LAND. FURNITURE AND EFFECTS. WITHOUT RESERVE.
On the Premises, No. 5 SHEPHERD-STREET, DARLINGTON, few doors from Abercrombie-street.
HOUSE, Brick on Stone, 5 rooms. Title Freehold.
FURNITURE and EFFECTS, including Inlaid Sideboard, Italian Walnut Suite of 9 pieces, Chiffonier, Tables, Chairs, Bedstead, Bedding, Lamps, Ornaments, Books, and a quantity of Sundries.
ON VIEW MORNING OF SALE AND TO-DAY.
WM. GUY HIGGS and CO., Auctioneers, Property Salesmen, have been instructed by Mr. JOSEPH COLL to sell by auction as above.
N.B.—Positive instructions to sell on account of family bereavement. Both House and Furniture must be sold.
Auctioneers' Address: No. 25 Post Office-chambers, 114A Pitt-street. Telephone, 5320.

ORDER OF SALE.
FREEHOLD AND LEASEHOLD CITY, SUBURBAN, AND COUNTRY PROPERTIES to be offered FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, IN THE ROOMS, 80 PITT-STREET, at 11.30 a.m.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY.
CITY.—STERLING CITY INVESTMENT, STANDARD-BUILDINGS, No. 28 ELIZABETH-STREET, near Hunter-street.
SCARBOROUGH, formerly South Clifton, opposite Railway Station and near Stanwell Park.—SCARBOROUGH HOTEL, as a Going Concern. TORRENS.
HOMEBUSH.—Delightfully-situated Family Mansion, known as WAMBIANA, in BURLINGTON-ROAD, with about an acre of ground. Torrens.
WAVERLEY, near Bronte Beach.—GOOD BUILDING BLOCK, 40ft to BRONTE-ROAD x 124ft. Torrens. Trustees' Sale.
WAVERLEY.—An extensive Block, having 520ft to GIPPS-STREET and 576ft to NELSON'S BAY-ROAD, with MERXHEIM LODGE. Torrens. Trustees' Sale.
SANS SOUCI.—Building Block, having 100ft frontage to SANDRINGHAM-PARADE x 392ft along BRANTWOOD-STREET. Trustees' Sale.
SANS SOUCI.—LOT 37, SEC. 2, SANS SOUCI ESTATE, 58ft 10in to ROCKY POINT-ROAD x 416ft. Torrens. Trustees' Sale.
SANS SOUCI.—LOTS 8, 9, 10, 11, SEC. 3, SANS SOUCI ESTATE, having a total frontage to COOK PARK of about 308ft. Torrens. Trustees' Sale.
WAVERLEY, on the BONDI-ROAD.—Detached Family Residence, MERXHEIM, near Denham-street. Torrens Title. Trustees' Sale.
PARRAMATTA.—Detached Family Residence, WILLAROO, in CAMPBELL-STREET, and abutting on the Western-road.
PETERSHAM.—SHOP AND COTTAGE INVESTMENT PROPERTY, corner PARRAMATTA-ROAD and WENTWORTH STREET, Nos. 718/720 PARRAMATTA-ROAD, and Nos. 11 to 15 STATION-STREET. Total Rents, £327 p.a.
LEWISHAM.—Double-fronted Detached Cottage, No. 1 WINDSOR-ROAD, Land 40ft x 110ft. TORRENS.
CAMPERDOWN.—Corner of PARRAMATTA-ROAD and PYRMONT BRIDGE-ROAD, Factory or Shop Site, for Sale by order of Master in Equity.
NEUTRAL BAY, on the Heights.—Lots 26, 27, 28, Sec. 1, PARRAWEEN ESTATE, having total frontage of about 102ft to MILITARY-ROAD, Good Shop Site. Official Assignee's Sale.
WOOLLAHRA, on the EDGECLIFF-ROAD, opposite Wallis-street.—LOTS 11, 12, and 13, SEC. "B," GRAFTON ESTATE, No. 2, 75ft, EDGECLIFF-ROAD.
SANS SOUCI.—LOTS 218, 220, 221, 222, 223, SANS SOUCI TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION, No. 2, each 40ft x 162ft.
ROSE BAY.—LOT 14, SEC. 2, ROSE BAY PARK ESTATE, 50ft x 160ft, NORWICH-ROAD. Curator's Sale.
THIRLMERE, near the Station.—DETACHED WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE, 8 rooms, with about 5½ acres.
BANKSTOWN.—LOTS 37, 42, 49, 52, PADSTOW PARK ESTATE, containing total area of about 26 acres.
RAINE AND HORNE, AUCTIONEERS.

ORDER OF SALE.
CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY).
PADDINGTON.—House, No. 44 Gordon-street, near Oxford-street.
GLEBE.—House, No. 31 Glebe-road, near Broadway. Executor's Sale.
GLEBE.—Cottage, No. 83 Glebe-road. Executor's Sale.
REDFERN.—Land and Cottage, No. 168 George-street, near tram.
LEICHHARDT.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 315 Parramatta-road, opposite Railway-street. Executor's Sale.
MANLY.—Cottage, "Braydestone," Queenscliff-road, near tram.
ST. PETERS.—Four Shops and two Houses, Nos. 66 to 76 Cook's River-road, and Three Houses, Nos. 27 to 31 Crown-street. Mortgagee's Sale.
SUMMER HILL.—Residence, "Lorna Doon," No. 14 Spencer-street. Executor's Sale.
DITTO.—Allotment, Spencer-street. Executor's Sale.
ASHFIELD.—Cottage, "Taunton Villa," No. 41 Norton-street. Executor's Sale.
CROYDON.—Allot., Holborrow-street. Exors. Sale.
GORDON.—Lot 41, Green Gate Estate.
ARNCLIFFE.—12 Acres, Wentworth, Stanley, Wolli, and Gibbes streets. Executor's Sale.
DITTO.—6 Acres 3 R. 5 P., Pitt, Cook, and Hurst streets. Executor's Sale.
BELMORE.—Block Land, Baltimore-street, Redman's Est. Executor's Sale.
CANTERBURY.—Corner Land, Canterbury-road and Minter-street.
KOGARAH.—Allot., Station-street, lot 39, sec II. Executor's Sale.
FLEMINGTON.—Cottage, Hampstead-road, near station.
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At the Risk and Expense of the Former Purchaser.
Lot 36, KENNEDY'S ESTATE, AUSTINMER, 65ft 3½in frontage to South Coast-road by depth as shown on Deposited Plan No. 4928.
HARDIE and GORMAN will sell the above by public auction, in their Rooms, 133 Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m., on WEDNESDAY, January 22, 1908.

MOSMAN.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, on TUESDAY NEXT, 21st JANUARY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M. SHARP. (Prior to Auction Sale of Furniture.) ☞ ON THE PREMISES, HEATHCOT, MORUBEN-ROAD, MOSMAN (near Junction of Military-road and Spit-road).
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ANNIVERSARY DAY, January 27, at 2.30.—Rickard's Picnic Auct., Beach Est., Brighton-le-Sands.

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FUNERALS.

BARTHO.—The Relatives and Friends of the late Mrs. HANNAH MATILDA BARTHO are kindly invited to attend her Funeral, which will move from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. William Foster, Pittwater-road, St. Ives, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for Methodist Cemetery, Chatswood.
WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors,
Tel., 726, etc. Sydney, North Sydney, and Subs.

BENDON.—The Friends of Mrs. ANNIE BENDON, of Atchison-street, North Sydney, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND, John; to move from St. Mary's R.C. Church, Ridge-street, North Sydney, THIS THURSDAY, at 3 p.m., for Gore Hill Cemetery.
Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Ltd., Undertakers,
T., 875. 7 Eliz.-st, city, and opp. Power-house, N.S.

HIBERNIAN A.C.B. SOCIETY.—The Officers and Members of the St. Mary's Branch, No. 241, and other city branches are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late Brother, JOHN BENDON; to move from St. Mary's Church, Ridge-st, N.S., THIS AFTERNOON, for the Catholic Cemetery, Gore Hill.

CORNS.—The Funeral of the late JOSEPH G. S. CORNS will leave St. James' Church, King-street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, for South Head Cemetery. Service at 1.20 p.m.
CHARLES KINSELA,
Funeral Director,
78 Darlinghurst-road, King's Cross,
Tel., 23 Edgecliff. top of William-street.

FREEMAN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ERNEST ALFRED FREEMAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved DAUGHTER, Florence Lily May; to leave their residence, 28 Norton-street, Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
COFFILL and COMPANY,
Funeral Directors.

HEHIR.—The Friends of Mrs. JAMES HEHIR and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND and their FATHER; to move from their residence, 122 Jersey-road, Paddington, THIS THURSDAY, at 3 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Limited, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street, city, and 460 Oxford-street, Paddington. Telephone, 875.

LEVI.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. MINNIE LEVI will leave the residence, 250 Miller-street, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 12.30, and from the Mortuary at 2.23, for Rookwood.
L. SAMUELS.

RIGG.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. RIGG and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON and BROTHER, George Herbert, which will leave their residence, Maritana, George-street, Burwood, THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at 9.15 o'clock, for Necropolis, via Burwood station.
WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors.

COLUMBIAN LODGE.—Grand United Order of Oddfellows.—The Officers and Members of the above are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of our late BROTHER, John George Herbert Rigg; to leave his parents' residence, Maritana, George-street, Burwood, THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at 9.15, for Rookwood, via Burwood Station.
C. J. MEAD, Secretary.

SMART.—The Friends of Mr. ADAM SMART are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to leave Mrs. Tuttiett's, 259 Castlereagh-street, city, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Presbyterian Cemetery, Necropolis.
WALTER STEWART and SON,
122 Bathurst-street. Tel., 1544.

TODD.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. CATHERINE TODD, of Western Australia, will leave Lewisham Hospital TO-MORROW (Friday) MORNING, at 9 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Lewisham station.
W. N. BULL,
Funeral Director.

WALLACE.—The Friends of Mr. JAMES WALLACE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly beloved WIFE, Harriet Elizabeth; to move from his residence, 32 Charles-street, Enmore, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis, via Newtown station.
WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors,
Sydney, North Sydney, Suburbs. Tel., 726, etc.

WALLACE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT BERRIMAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved SISTER, Harriet Elizabeth Wallace; to move from her late residence, 32 Charles-street, Enmore, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis, via Newtown station.

WHEALEY.—The Friends of the late Mr. WILLIAM WHEALEY are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, Wandeen, Park-avenue, Ashfield, TO-MORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for the Congregational Cemetery, Gore Hill, via transit ferry, Circular Quay.
CROCKETT and COMPANY,
T., 207 P'sham. Undertakers, Leichhardt.

WHEALEY.—The Friends of Mrs. ANNIE AGNES WHEALEY and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND and their FATHER; William; to move from his late residence, Wandeen, Park-avenue, Ashfield, TO-MORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for Congregational Cemetery, Gore Hill, via transit ferry, Circular Quay. CROCKETT and COMPANY.

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PROFESSIONS, TRADES, ETC.

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A RELIABLE Gen., 4 yrs.' ref., adult family, Petersham pref. Mrs. Davies, 333 Parramatta-rd, L'chdt.

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LOT 4.—Black Silk Chantilly Lace Mantles, 32 inches long, lined yoke, trimmed Ribbon, Chiffon, and Sequins.
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LADIES, we ask your immediate inspection of these truly Wonderful Bargains, for the first time being offered to-day.

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GREAT SUMMER SALE.
FOR BARGAINS,
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A BARMAID, 20s; W'tress, 15s, city; Woy Woy, 12s; Gosford (2), 12s, suit 2 frds. Flett, 120 C'reagh-st.

A COMPETENT General Servant wanted, no cooking or washing. Rockley, 162 Bridge-rd, Glebe Point.

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A GENERAL, small family, gas stove, reference. 3 Council-st, Bondi.

A GOOD GENERAL SERVANT wanted, wages 15s, references. Mrs. North, Meadowbank Railway Stn.

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A NURSERY H. Maid, 8s; Cook and Laundress, 18s; Gen., 10s. Mrs. Davies, 333 P'matta-rd, L'chardt.

A SMART BARMAN, city house, 20s. Before 10, Walker's, Castlereagh-st.

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A.—COOK, £1, 18s, 15s; Ck. and La., 17s 6d, 16s, 15s; H. and P. Maid, 14s, 12s; Nurse, 14s, 12s, 10s; L. Helps, 10s, 8s, no washing; y. Girls to train; Kit. Md.; Gens., no washing. Elite, 45 Elizabeth-st.

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COOKS, 21s, 18s; G. S., 15s, 12s (child not obj.); H.P.M. (N. Coast), 14s; sub., 14s, 12s; H.M. W., 12s; L. Helps, 12s, 10s (3 fam.); L. H.M., 18s; Mother and Dgtr. (sub.), £52; Groom, 17s 6d. Swan, 21 Eliz.-st.

COOKS, female, hotels, Mountains, 30s, 25s, 30s; Cook-L'dress, hotels, town and ctry., 20s; H'maids, Waitresses, Mountains, 12s, tips; Kitchen Boy, Mountains, 10s; H. and P. Mds., 15s. Israel's, 27 Eliz.-st.

CARPENTER, 25, N. line; Gardener, 30s, N. line; Married Couple, man milk, groom, kill, wife laundress, £70, cottage, rations, nr. Orange; M. Cple., man station hand, wife cook, laundress, £75, N. line; £75, W. line; £70, child not objected, W. line; Youth, milk, etc., 8s, nr. T'worth. Wilton, 29 Eliz.-st.

CARLOS SIMMONDS' AGENCY, 188 Castlereagh-st.—M.C., man station hand, wife laundress, £75, keep. KITCHENMAN, £1, keep.
HOUSEMAN, WAITER, £1.
MAN, to garden, groom, useful, 15s, keep, country.
HOTEL GROOM, 15s; Bag Sewer, 16s 6d, keep.
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FOR MTNS.—Genl. SERVANT. Apply Mrs. Pattison, 4 Glebe-st, near Edgecliff P.O.

FOR KILLARA: 2 Lady Helps, same h., one for cooking, 14s, the other housework, 12s, meet lady 12. Miss ROWE, London Bank-ch., Pitt-Market sts, opp. George Hotel.

GENERAL, 2 in fam., 12s; young Girl, train h. md., 9s; same place; meet lady 11 Fri. 45 Elizab.-st.

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SALE PRICE, 12½d; Worth 1s 11d.
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FINE 2-BUTTON SUEDES, in Pastels, Browns, and Slates. Our Sale Price 1/7½
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LACE and NET COLLARS, in assorted designs, from .... /6½ to 3/11
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KID, SILK, ELASTIC, and WASHING BELTS, from 1/0½
HANDKERCHIEF SACHETS, exceptionally good quality, with ½ dozen handkerchiefs, for 2/11, 3/6, 3/9
HAT PINS, in all the daintiest and newest designs, for .... /3, /4½, /6, /8½, 1/

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MOROCCO BAGS, fine quality, with chain handle. Reduced from 1/6 to 1/0½
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GENERAL SERVANT, no washing. Apply Mrs. Mansfield, Llanover, Darling Point.

GENERAL SERVANT (22), small family, no wash., 12s. Wilton, 29 Elizabeth-st. T., 2091.

GENERAL, no washing or cooking, 14s, assist table. Ranelagh, Darling Pt.-rd, 2nd house.

GEN. SERVANT, also Boy, for scullery work, restaurant. 227 Oxford-st, Darlinghurst.

GEN. Servant, 3 in fam., no children. Mrs. T. M'Gill, sen., Barker-st, nr. stn., L'sham.

GOOD GENERAL, 3 in family, no washing. Mrs. Duguid, Meredith-st, Homebush.

GOOD GENERAL wanted, small house, light position, gas stove, etc.
Alverston, Alexander-avenue,
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GRADUATE, for boys' school; Gov., £50, English, Fch., Latin; £40, Moree, Eng., mus., elocution; £35, Eng., Fch., music, int. 12; £30, Eng. piano and violin; £30 Warren; Nur Gov. R.C. 110 Bathurst-st.

GENERAL Servant, child not objected, 3 in fam., 15s, W. line; 14s, 3 in fam., child not objected, New England; Cook (3), 20s, no bread-baking, W. line; two Friends, or Mother and Dghtr., £75, N. line; £80, N. line; £65, 2 in fam., nr. Dubbo; Kitchenmaid, 14s, D'hurst; 10s, Mts. Wilton, 29 Eliz.-st.

HOUSEMAID-WAITRESS, b'house, another kept, good wages. Milton, 61 Darlinghurst-rd.

HOUSE P'maid, Eliz. Bay, small fam., meet lady 11; Cook Ldrss., 18s; House P'maid, 14s, small fam., N. S. line; others, Bowral 20s, Manly 20s, D'hurst 18s, Mosman, 16s; Nurse Ndn., 14s. Morison, 19 Elizabeth-st.

HITTMANN'S PASTORALISTS' AGY., 61 ELIZ.-ST. M.C., MAN GROOM, little garden, wife h'keeper (3), Port Hacking, meet gent. 11; M.C., man cook, wife h'keeper, £90; M.C., man stn. hand, WIFE H'KEEPER, £104.
HUT COOK, 30s, Pt. Stephens, 1 bachelor.
TEAMSTERS (2), drive team, 2 horses, snigging timber on to line, 45s; also 6 MEN, LOADING sleepers, 45s, Pt. Stephens, CONSTANT, LONG JOB.
JAPANESE COOK, 25s, hotel, near Orange.
GARDENER, 20s and quarters, wk. at pumps, P'rith.
BUSH CARPENTER, 42s; HORSE SHOER, 50s, BONUS 5s WEEK if REMAIN 6 MONTHS, PT. STEPHENS; Groom, milk, garden, Katoomba, 12s 6d.

INSTITUTION Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, City-road, Darlington.—Wanted, competent HOUSEMAID, references. Apply between 9 a.m. and 12.
The MATRON.

KITCHENMAN.—Smart Man wanted. Apply early, Hart's Marine Cafe, Circular Quay.

LADY HELP or Light General, fond children, gas stove, 3 fam., no shirts. Wilamro, Arthur-st, Lhrdt.

LAUNDRESS, 20s, also Kitchenmaid, 10s, Katoomba. Wilton, 29 Elizabeth-st.

LAUNDRY.—Shirt Ironer, const.; also Hanger-out, Tues. each wk. 8 Wentworth-st, Paddington.

MISS GERTY LONG.—Please call to see Mrs. Close, Belmore-rd, Randwick.

MOTHER and Son, mother general, son housework, useful, refs. By letter, Wyathorpe, Manly.

MRS. LIDDLE'S Reg., off 62 Cambridge-st, opposite Public School, Stanmore.—Generals wanted.

MARRIED COUPLE, for Manly Beach, man cook, wife H. and P. Maid, £75; letter. 10.30.

HOUSE and PARLOUR MAID, station, 15s.
MYERS' AGENCY, 35 ELIZABETH-STREET.

MARRIED Couple, man cook, wife h.m., laund., £80, back stn.; Cook, 4 fam., N.Z., 25s; Cook L., 3 fam., 20s, N.Z.; Cooks, city, 18s, 20s; H. Mds., 14s; Waits., 15s; H.P. Md., 15s, bachs. Layard, 25 Eliz.-st.

MARRIED Couple, man station hand, wife working housekeeper, for 2 in family, £80, first-class station. Apply SAGE and CO., 45 Elizabeth-street.
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PARENTS wishing to apprentice Boy on good dairy farm, in country. Early, 49 Derwent-st, Glebe.

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RES. Girl, light Gen. Call with responsible person, Llandoyst, Bright-st, Stanmore.

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SLAUGHTERMAN, 30s, N. Sydney; Jap. Chef, 30s, Tamworth; M.C., £80, mtns.; £80, Bingara; £75, farm, Boone; £80, man butcher, wife general; Houseboy, 10s, city; K. Boys, 10s, 12s. 110 Bathurst-st.

THOROUGH General, must cook well, wages 14s, h. md. and washwn. employed. Eglinton, ter., Gb. Pt.

USEFUL GIRL, about 15, light housework, sleep home. After 10, Calga House, 164A Bourke-st, Dlst.

USEFUL young GIRL to assist in housework, 3 ladies. Tara, Livingstone-rd, Marrickville.

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HATTE'S
GREAT SUMMER FAIR.
HURRY UP; DON'T BE TOO LATE.
The fun will begin at 10 a.m., and go merrily on until 6 p.m.
SEE THE WINDOWS.
LOOK AT THE BARGAINS,
and
MAKE A POINT OF BEING ON TIME.
LAST SATURDAY MORNING
HATTE
was unable to serve the thousands of people who came for the bargains.
HATTE
gave a promise to the public who were unable to gain entrance to the Store of Novelties last Saturday that they should not be disappointed, and would make a special offer of goods from various departments for 1/.
TO-DAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 16,
HATTE
will keep faith with the public.
For those who prefer to shop in the morning a special Shilling Sale will be held at
10 O'CLOCK.
Also in the Afternoon at
3 O'CLOCK.
CONDITIONS:
Only those goods in the windows MARKED SPECIAL 1/ LINES or ON THE LINES or in STACKS will be sold at the price.
1/ EACH.
It may be for one article, or it may be by the yard, but each line will be distinctly marked.
THE SALE AT 1/
will be for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon, commencing at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.
It must be clearly understood that
C. G. HATTE
WILL ONLY SELL WHAT ARE MARKED
1/.
Any other goods will be sold at the reduced Fair Price.
AFTER THE HOUR IS UP,
Special Lots of famous Fairings will be put before the public that must make a speedy clearance of the surplus stock.
VALUES THAT MUST
PROVE ONCE AND FOR ALL THAT HATTE'S IS THE IDEAL
SUMMER FAIR.
COME TO THE SHILLING SALE
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Silver Belts, 1/ each, worth 1/6 each.
Torchon Lace, 1/ dozen, worth 1/6 dozen.
Beautiful Lace Collars, 1/ each, worth 1/11 to 2/11 each.
Imported Belts, 1/, worth 1/6 to 2/11 each.
Guipure All-over Lace, 1/ yd., worth 1/11 to 2/6 yd.
American Lace, 1/ dozen, worth 1/6 dozen.
Morley's Cashmere Hose, 1/ pair, worth 1/4½ pair.
Black Lace Lisle Hose, 1/ pair, worth 1/6 pair.
Tan Lace Lisle Hose, 1/ pair, worth 1/6 pair.
Sunshades, 1/ each, worth 2/6 to 3/6 each.
Lisle Gloves, 1/ pair, worth 1/6 pair.
Ribbons, Black Glace, 1/ for 2yds, worth 1/3½ for 2yds.
Lace Mits, 1/ pair, worth 1/6 pair.
72-inch White Twill Sheeting, 1/ yd., worth 1/4½ yd.
80-inch White Twill Sheeting, 1/ yd., worth 1/4½ yd.
33in White Calico, 1/ for 4yds, worth 1/9 for 4yds.
Harvard Shirting, 1/ for 4yds, worth 1/6 for 4yds.
Fcy. Floral Art Muslin, 1/ for 6yds, worth 1/6 for 6yds.
56in White Damask, 1/ per yd, worth 1/4½ per yd.
54in Unbleached Damask, 1/ yd., worth 1/4.
Serviettes, ¾ size, 1/ for 3, worth 1/4½ for 3.
Pillow Slips, 1/ for 2, worth 1/7½ for 2.
Swiss Applique S.B. Cloths, 1/ each, worth 1/6½.
Swiss Embd. Tea Cosies, 1/ each, worth 1/9½.
Extra Large Brown Turkish Towels, 1/ each, worth 1/6 each.
Table Baize, 1/ yd., worth 1/6 yd.
108in Mosquito Net, 1/ yd., worth 1/4½ yd.
Colonial Flannel, 1/ yd., worth 1/6 yd.
63in Striped Ticking, 1/ yd., worth 1/4½ yd.
Jute Bedside Rugs, 1/ each, worth 1/6 each.
Bundle Tapes, 1 doz., asstd., 1/ for 3 Bundles, worth 1/2½ for 3 bundles.
Linen Buttons, sets of 6 cards, 1/ for 3 sets, worth 1/2½ for 3 sets.
Sheet Pins, 300 pins, 1/ for 18 sheets, worth 1/2½ for 18 sheets.
Black Mending, 1/ for 4 balls, worth 1/3 for 4 balls.
Teneriffe Doylies, 1/ for 5, worth 1/6 for 5.
Hemstitch Damask Doylies, 1/ for 5, worth 2/6 for 5.
French Floral Muslin, 1/ for 6 yds., worth 1/11 to 2/11 for 6 yds.
Plain Glace Silks, 1/ yd., worth 1/6 yd.
Surah Silks, 1/ yd., worth 2/6 yd.
27in Jap. Silk, 1/ yd., worth 1/6 yd.
Delainette, Light and Dark Grounds, 1/ for 3½ yds., worth 1/9 for 3½ yds.
Check Scotch Zephyr, 1/ for 3½ yds., worth 1/6 for 3½ yds.
Ladies' Calico Knickers, 1/ pair, worth 1/9 pair.
Camisoles, 1/ each, worth 1/9 each.
Chemises, 1/ each, worth 1/9 each.
Aprons, 1/ each, worth 1/9½ each.
Children's Coloured Smocked Dresses, 1/ each, worth 1/11½ each.
Children's Muslin Pinafores, 1/ each, worth 1/6½ each.
Infants' White and Coloured Dresses, 1/ each, worth 1/11 to 2/6 each.
Girls' Washing Blouses, 1/ each, worth 2/6 each.
Children's Batiste Dresses, 1/ each, worth 1/6 each.
Ladies' Muslin Dressing Jackets, 1/ each, worth 2/9 each.
Crinoline and Sequin Toques, 1/ each, worth 2/11 to 4/6 each.
Chd.'s Silk and Velvet Bonnets, slightly soiled, 1/ each, worth 3/11.
Boxes of Flowers, 1/ box, worth 2/11 to 3/11 box.
Children's, Maids', and Ladies' Trimmed Hats, 1/ each, worth 4/11 each.
Ladies' Ribbon Corsets, 1/ each, worth 1/11 each.
Firmer Gouges, 1/ each, worth 1/3 each.
1¼in Firmer Chisels, 1/ each, worth 1/6 each.
½in Registered Chisels, 1/ each, worth 1/4 each.
Sash Tools, 1/ each, worth 1/4 each.
Bronze Centre Door Knobs, 1/ each, worth 1/9 each.
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2ft Box Rules, 1/ each, worth 1/6.
6in Waine's Rim Locks, 1/ each, worth 1/6.
Glass Cake Stands, gilt metal handles, 1/ each, worth 1/11.
Fancy Shaded Figures, 1/ each, worth 1/9.
A large assorted lot of Vegetable Dishes, 1/ each, worth 2/6.
China Jugs, Doulton Ware, 1/ each, worth 1/9.
Fancy Jardinieres, 1/ each, worth 1/11.

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As it is impossible to sell Boots at 1/ pair,
HATTE
will give a special discount of 10 per cent. during each hour the 1/ Sale is on.

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THE ONE SHILLING SALE
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3 O'CLOCK P.M. FOR ONE HOUR ONLY.

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SERVANTS WANTED.

WANTED, GENERAL, light work. Great Northern Hotel, Chatswood.

WANTED, good GENERAL, good wages, good home, refs. Mrs. C. J. Stone, Wollongong-rd, Arncliffe.

WANTED, Lad for dairy farm. Age, wages, etc., to Wyong-place, Wyong.

WANTED, good Laundry Hand, for country town. Apply with refs. to D. W. Peterson, Wellington.

WANTED, first-class Cook, one able to carve. Apply Hugh D. M'Intosh, Challis House, Martin-pl.

WTD., Married Couple, station, near Nyngan, £75. Apply, enclosing references, to M., Box 494.

WANTED, a General Servant. Beckenham, corner Miller and Ernest sts, North Sydney.

WTD., 2nd Cook, Chinese or Japanese, 1st-cl. ctry. hotel. App. early, Stoneleigh, Dailey-st, Dlst.

WANTED, a LIGHT GENERAL, three adults. 19 Emmett-st, North Sydney.

WANTED, Girl or mid.-aged Woman, light general, no cooking. 191 Thomas-st, off Engine-st, Hymkt.

WANTED, LADY'S HELP, for Home on mountains. Apply J. T. Wall, 80A Pitt-st, city.

WANTED, young GIRL, generally useful. Mrs. Fowler, Maudville, 44 Edgeware-rd, Enmore.

WANTED, a good General, 2 in family, good cook. Apply 55 Alfred-st, North Sydney.

WTD., a compt. Shirt and Collar Ironer, constant work, start at once. Peerless Ldry., 37 Pitt-st, Redf.

WANTED, tall young GIRL, to train as Parlourmaid. 104 Elizabeth Bay Point.

WANTED, competent young COOK-LAUNDRESS, no starched ironing. 104 Elizabeth Bay Point.

WANTED, active elderly MAN. Apply Shorts' Poultry Cart, Belmore Mkts., C'reagh-st, before 9 a.m.

WANTED, smart clean girl, about 15, to assist, sleep home. 63 Womerah-av., D'hurst.

WANTED, a good SERVANT, 2 in family, no washing. Mrs. Payne, Frankfort Laundry, Pad'ton.

WANTED, KITCHENMAN. Ellis's Coffee Palace, 50 King-st.

WANTED, HOUSEBOY. Ellis's Coffee Palace, 50 King-st.

WANTED, a gd. General, must be fond of children, no washing. Apply after 9, 276 Darling-st, Balmn.

WANTED, Washer, 4s day; also plain Ironer, 5s. Aberdeen Steam Laundry, 177 Darling-st, Balmain.

WANTED, GIRL, 14, to mind little girl, 3 years, sleep home. 148 Elizabeth-st, city.

WANTED, experienced WAITRESS. 615 George-st.

WANTED, for Mocha Cafe, 16 Pitt-st, 1 WAITRESS, 1 PANTRY GIRL.

WANTED, tidy GIRL, about 15, assist in housework, sleep home. After 10, 102 Johnston-st, Annandale.

WANTED, experienced TEA WAITRESS, good wages. Apply 571 George-st.

WANTED, Lady Help, small family, gas stove. 17 Dryden-st, Summer Hill.

WANTED, young GIRL, light housework, sleep home. Butter Merchant, 20 Old Canterbury-rd, Sum. Hill.

WANTED, a Cook, also a House and Parlour Maid. Apply Kimberley Club, 5 York-st, city.

WANTED, a good WAITRESS, also a good HOUSEMAID. Apply Manilla, 433 Bourke-st.

WANTED, Parlourmaid, also Useful Girl, mornings only. Apply 22 Bayswater-rd, Darlinghurst.

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SERVANTS WANTED.

WANTED, BOY, knives, windows, boots, etc. Mona, Mona-rd, Darling Point.

WANTED, smart GIRL, 14 or 16, assist light duties, no Sunday work. 59 Eliz.-st, all holidays given.

WANTED, smart Girl as Waitress, also Girl or Woman as Kitchenmaid. Apply 20 Oxford-st, city.

WANTED, a Dining Room WAITER. Imperial Hotel, Wynyard-square.

WANTED, Starch Ironers, also Hangers-out. Standard Steam Ldry., Dowling-st, off William-st.

WANTED, useful GIRL, to help housework, sleep home. 244 Miller-st, North Sydney.

WANTED, young GENERAL. 423 Crown-st, Surry Hills.

WANTED, a GIRL, about 16, to assist housework, sleep home. 42 Craigend-st, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, strong LAD, to assist on milk cart, board and lodgings. 2A Selwyn-st, Moore Park, 10 a.m.

WANTED, thorough COOK and Laundress, wages £1. Apply 335 Crown-st.

WANTED, young GENERAL, cook well, sleep home. Apply Mrs. Loveridge, 287 Crown-st.

WANTED, respectable young Woman as GENERAL, no washing. Mrs. M., 53 George-st West.

WANTED, good GENERAL, no family, no cooking, light duties. 193 George-st North.

WANTED, good General, refs. required. Apply Hotel Excelsior, Bridge-rd, Glebe.

WANTED, Woman Help, gen. h'work, sm. fam., 6s, sleep home if pref. 72 Dowling-st, Paddington.

WANTED, Light General, no small children. Mrs. Rankin, 1 Little Dowling-st, Paddington.

WANTED, 2 young GIRLS, for general useful. Apply 9 Kellett-st, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, an exp. Parlourmaid. Apply betw. 10 and 11, Meryla, 217A Macquarie-st, n. King-st.

WANTED, a thorough General, no washing. 1½ Victoria-st, Darlinghurst; references.

WANTED, respectable young GENERAL, for small family. 1 Grosvenor-st, Bondi Junction.

WANTED, a smart YOUTH. Apply Ourah, 75 Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, good General SERVANT, man kept. Mrs. Narr, Kiora, Ocean-st, Woollahra.

WANTED for the c'ntry, resp. yg. Boy, good home, Prot. pref. Home, Elizabeth-st Post-office, Syd.

WANTED, smart Housemaid, used to b'house. After 9 a.m., 32 Carrington-st, Wynyard-square.

WANTED, a smart WAITRESS, for Gillham's Queen's Cafe, 205 Pitt-st.

WANTED, a middle-aged, resp. Woman, for general work, comfortable home. 289 Pitt-st, n. L'pool-st.

WANTED, young General, 2 in family, sleep at home pref. Apply Mrs. Mears, Bondi Junct.

WANTED, Chief COOK, also useful Man. Victoria Coffee Palace, 208 Pitt-st.

WANTED, a young Girl as General. Apply after 9 a.m., Criterion Hotel, Pitt-Park sts, Sydney.

WANTED, a Girl or young Woman, as light GENERAL. 463 Oxford-st, Paddington.

WANTED, competent General, 2 family, gas stove, Protestant. 1 Grafton-st, Woollahra, Ap. evenings.

WANTED, a light GENERAL. Apply 39 Grafton-st, Woollahra.

WANTED, Cook for country hotel, wages 15s, easy place. Apply early, 240 Elizabeth-st, city.

WTD., a resp. Person, as a Gen. Help, no cooking, sleep home. After 10, Benton, 71 Brown-st, Padd.

WANTED, Light Generals, good home, easy place, plenty outings, wages 6s. M.A.B., P.O., Padd'ton.

WTD., smart MAN, to work pair of horses in scoop. Apply Railway Hotel, George-st.

WTD., a strong useful Girl, or Woman, assist h'work, no wash. Bronte, Forbes-Burton sts, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, young Girl, light GEN., 2 adults, laundry given out. 38 Toxteth-rd, Glebe Pont.

WANTED, GENERAL, good wages to suitable girl. Apply 187 Glebe Point-rd.

WANTED, General SERVANT, small family. 20 Wigram-rd, Glebe Point, between 9 and 12.

WANTED, a young Girl as House and Door MAID. 177 Macquarie-st.

WANTED, yng. Woman, for light housework, sleep at home. 207 Castlereagh-st, near Goulburn-st.

WANTED, a young WOMAN, used to Grills. Mrs. Conder, 136A Elizabeth-st, city.

WANTED, useful GIRL, good home, 5s. 21 Pitt-st, Circular Quay.

WANTED, a smart young GIRL, assist in pantry and dining-room. 153 Bathurst-st.

WANTED, competent COOK. 38 Bayswater-rd, Darlinghurst. Apply 10 o'clock.

WANTED, MAN as generally useful. 38 Bayswater-rd. Apply 9 o'clock.

WANTED, competent General, no washing, gas stove. Mrs. Cole, 99 Macleay-st, Potts Point.

WANTED, refined GIRL for housework, sleep home, references. After 9, 111 Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, good Cook and Laundress, wages 15s, household of 9. 71B Darlinghurst-rd, after 10.

WANTED, a GIRL, 14, mind baby, assist housework. Mrs. Evans, Carnarvon, Glebe-st, Randwick.

WANTED, resp. Girl as General, good home. Apply Bunyarra, Wentworth-st, Randwick.

WANTED, young Woman, Cook and Laundress, fare paid. Stansell's Hotel, Military-rd, Mosman.

WANTED, Housemaid, another kept, small adult fam., g. outings, per. refs., 10s. 19 Edgeware-rd, Enm.

WANTED, good Shirt and Collar Ironer, start at once. Bourke Laundry, 141 Devonshire-st, Surry Hills.

WANTED, experienced COOK, also House and Parlour Maid. 34 Bayswater-rd, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, young Woman as Cook and Laundress. 7 Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, an Assistant HOUSEMAID. 7 Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, COOK and LAUNDRESS. Alameda Hotel, Margaret and Kent sts.

WANTED, an Assistant LAUNDRESS. Apply Wentworth Hotel, 11 a.m.

WANTED, a young GIRL to assist generally. Dr. Chenhall, Cambridge-st, Stanmore.

WANTED, respectable young GIRL, attend and clean dentist's rooms, sleep home. Harley, 143 Macq.-st.

WANTED, a GENERAL, at once. Apply Mrs. M'Connell, cr. Walker and Redfern sts, Redfern.

WANTED, resp. Girl as GENERAL. Apply after 9 a.m., Osmaston, Dalhousie-st, Haberfield.

WANTED, smart young GIRL to assist in housework, sleep home. 64 Johnston-st, Annandale.

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Ladies' Floral Muslin Underskirts, dainty patterns, very full shape flounces. Usual 5/11; Sale 2/11½.
Ladies' Moreen Underskirts, in Black and Colours. Usual, 4/11; Sale, 2/6.
Ladies' Ribbed Cotton Combinations, high necks, short sleeves, large sizes. Usual, 2/9½; Sale, 2/3½.
Ladies' Ribbed Cotton Combinations, high necks, short sleeves, fine make. Usual, 2/6½; Sale, 1/11½.
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Children's Navy Striped Galatea Sailor Costumes, pleated skirts, collar and cuffs of plain navy, 24 to 33. Usual, 6/11 to 11/9; Sale, 4/11-9/11.
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Boys' White Linen Suits, facings of Pale Blue Linen, sizes 0-1. Usual, 10/11; Sale, 5/11.
Boys' White Drill Tunics, trimmed embroidery (pleated), 22-24 inch. Usual, 4/11; Sale, 3/3.
Children's India Gauze Combinations, 3 to 6. Usual, 2/6; Sale, 1/6½.
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White Damask, 54 and 56 inch. Usual, 1/1½, 1/3½, 1/6½ per yard. Sale, /11½, 1/1½, 1/4½.
White Damask, 60 and 68 inch. Usual, 1/6½, 1/8½, 1/11½. Sale, 1/4½, 1/6½, 1/8½.
White Damask, 70 and 72 inch. — Usual, 2/3, 2/6, 2/11, 3/6, 3/11, 4/6. Sale, 1/11½, 2/3, 2/6, 2/11, 3/6, 3/11.
CREAM DAMASK.
54-56 inch. Usual, 1/0½, 1/3½, 1/4½, 1/6½. Sale, /10½, 1/1½, 1/2½, 1/4.
60-64 inch. Usual, 1/6½, 1/7½, 1/9½, 1/11½. Sale, 1/4½, 1/6½, 1/7½, 1/8½.
70-72 inch. Usual, 1/8½, 1/9½, 1/11½, 2/3, 2/3. Sale, 1/6½, 1/7½, 1/8½, 1/11½.
Nottingham Lace Curtains, Cream and White, 2½ yards. Usual, 1/11½, 2/6, 2/11, 3/6, 3/11 per pair. Sale, 1/9½, 2/3, 2/7½, 3/2, 3/6.
3 yards. Usual, 4/6, 4/11, 5/6, 6/6, 6/11. Sale, 3/11, 4/6, 4/11, 5/6, 6/3.
3½ yards. Usual, 5/3, 5/6, 5/11, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6. Sale, 4/9, 4/11, 5/6, 5/11, 6/9, 7/9, 9/6.
4 yards. Usual, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, 18/6, 21/. Sale, 6/9, 7/9, 9/6, 11/3, 13/11, 16/9, 18/9.
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AT GENUINE SALE PRICES.

Width.	Usual Price.	Sale Price.	
27in.	1/6½	1/4	per running yard.
36in.	1/11½	1/8	per running yard.
2yds	3/6	2/11½	per running yard.
2yds.	3/11	3/6	per running yard.
2yds.	4/6	3/11	per running yard.

FLOORCLOTHS.

18in.	6½	/5½	per running yard.
27in.	/9½	/8½	per running yard.
36in.	1/1½	1/2½	per running yard.
2yds.	1/9½	1/6½	per running yard.
2yds.	2/6	2/3	per running yard.
2yds.	2/11½	2/6	per running yard.

BARGAINS IN
DRESS MATERIALS.
Fancy Dress Tweeds, Fancy Corduroy, in all colours, double width. Usual, 1/0½; Sale, /6½.
All-wool Serges, double width. Usual, 1/4½, 1/6½, 1/9½, 1/11½, 2/6, 2/11, 3/11; Sale, 1/0½, 1/3½, 1/6, 1/8, 1/11½, 2/6, 2/11.
Navy Sicilians, double width. Usual, 1/3, 1/6, 1/9, 1/11, 2/6, 2/11, 3/6. Sale, /10½, 1/3, 1/6, 1/8, 1/11, 2/3, 2/6.
Fancy Dress Goods in Voiles, Ninons, Sicilians, Fancy Marquisites, and Evening Materials. Usual, 2/11 to 5/6. To be cleared. Sale Price, 1/9½.
BARGAINS IN
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Dark Navy Prints, 3/6, 4/6, 5/3 dozen yards.
Light Ground Cambrics, 3/6, 4/3, 5/3 doz. yards.
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WANTED, Starch Work and Plain IRONERS. West End Laundry, 112 and 114 Bay-st, Glebe.

WANTED, HOUSEMAID. Harley, 143 Macquarie-st.

WANTED, expd. Sorter and Packer, permanent, good wages. Rosebank Laundry, 38½ Abercrombie-st.

WANTED, Plain Ironer, to learn shirt iron; also Useful Girl. Edwards' Ldry., L'pool-rd, Ashfield.

WANTED, a respectable General, good wages. Governor Bourke Hotel, George-st, Camperdown.

WANTED, respectable Person as NURSE for 2 children, useful and handy with the needle, good wages. Apply 25, corner Adolphus and Vincent streets, near Stephen-street Ferry, Balmain.

WANTED, BOY to assist gardener and be generally useful, sleep at home.
J. O. FAIRFAX,
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WANTED, Nurse and Needlewoman for two children, good wages to competent persons.
Mrs. DAVIS,
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WANTED, a handy young MAN, assist in garden and generally useful. Apply with references to Mrs. KEEP, Broughton Hall,
Church-street, Leichhardt.

WANTED, respectable GIRL, about 15, to train as generally useful; another girl kept.
Apply Mrs. J. LETHBRIDGE,
St. Marys, Western line.

WANTED, strong single MAN, able milk, grow vegetables, flowers, must be well recommended, £1 week, room, meals. Apply Secretary,
Royal Sydney Golf Club, Rose Bay.

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SERVANTS WANTED.

WANTED, good strong MAN, able use horse-mower, plough, etc., 3 months' work, wages 30s week. Apply Secretary,
Royal Sydney Golf Club, Rose Bay.

WANTED, superior young WOMAN as Cook, wages 18s; also Kitchenmaid req., wages 10s, refs. req., good home to young women. Apply Mrs. FORSCUTT, Rockdale College, Gladstone-street, Bexley.

WANTED, COOK-LAUNDRESS and HOUSE AND PARLOUR MAID, 2 in family, personal references. Apply before 1 o'clock or after 7 p.m.
St. John's Rectory, Darlinghurst-road.

WANTED, competent, experienced MAN, to take charge of consignment of sheep to South Africa. Apply by letter,
Box 484, G.P.O.

WANTED, young competent COOK LAUNDRESS. Apply Thursday, Friday mornings.
Miss BINNIE, Seaward,
Wyuna-road, Woollahra Point.

WANTED, HOUSEKEEPER, on farm, all duties, age about 30 years, Protestant, musical, adult family. Apply, terms and reference, at once,
Miss MACDONALD, 67 Darlinghurst-road.

WANTED, for mtns., a strong GIRL, Housemaid-Laundress. Before 11 o'clock, to
THE PEEL,
Elizabeth Bay-road.

WANTED, a WOMAN COOK,
for Puddings and Cakes.
Meet lady at 11 o'clock at Mrs. WOODIN'S,
52 P.O.-chambers, 114A Pitt-street, opp. G.P.O.

WANTED, First-class young Cook-Laundress, no washing, or shirts, 3 in family, highest references necessary. This morning, Mrs. R. C. BROOMFIELD, Bellingham, Sutherland-avenue, Darling Point.

WANTED, GENERAL, washing, able do shirts, no cooking, no children.
Fraema, Salisbury-road,
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WANTED, a competent COOK, also HOUSEMAID and NEEDLEWOMAN, with references. Call this day.
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WANTED, all Classes, town and country, good wages, 2 Maids for one house, 20s, 14s, 12s, 4 in family; Married Couples, £75, £80; Lad to milk, useful, 15s; Man to milk, look after poultry, and be useful, 15s; Governesses, £30; Lady Helps, 10s. Mrs. WOODIN, 52 Post Office-chambers, 114A Pitt-st, opp. G.P.O.

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Tel., 70 Hunter-street
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F.c. Man Cook, wages £2; Barmaid, for ctry. hotel, prop. interv. 11.45 a.m.; Kit. Md., hotl.; Nurs. Hmds.; Nurses; F.c. Cooks, for subs., £1, 18s, 16s; th. Gens.

YOUNG Woman, for housework, sleep home. Melrose, 126 Crown-st, near William-st.

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YOUTH, 19, wishes to learn farm or station work, willing. Nat, Crown-st P.O.

YOUNG GENERAL, 3 adults, gas stove. After 10, 41 Boyce-st.

YOUNG Cook and Laundress, 2 in fam., 15s; L'dress Lady Helps, Generals. Miss Blair, 117 Strand.

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